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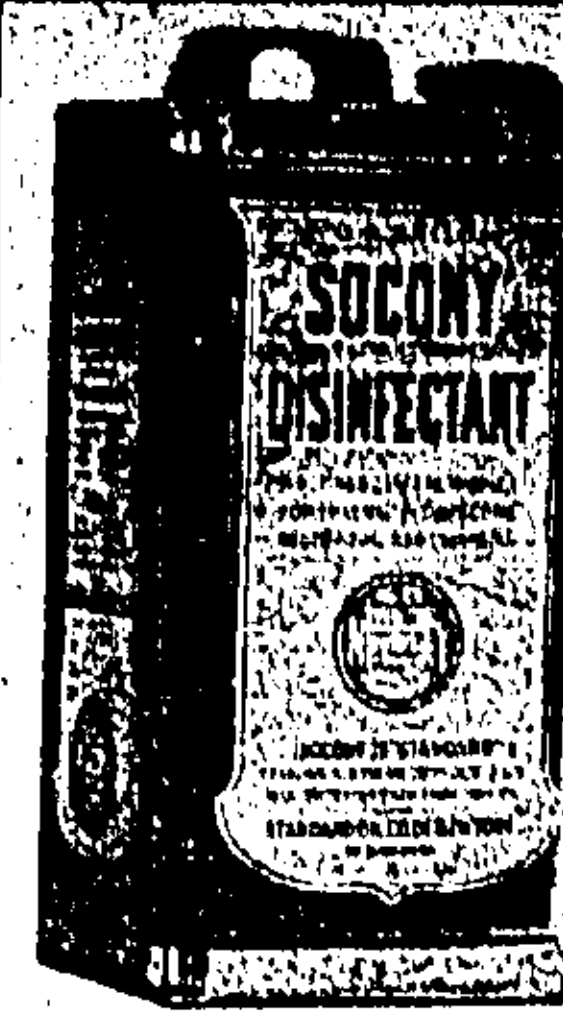
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## MR LLOYD GEORGE PROPHECIES.

### TORY LANDSLIDE AS IN FATAL 1906.

### MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD ON SOVIET PROPAGANDA.

#### INTERESTING POINTS.

London, May 24.

With only six days to Polling Day, the election campaign is naturally waxing hotter than ever. The prospects are still quite indefinite, though Mr. Lloyd George, interviewed at Cricketh to-day, was emphatic that the Conservatives will be swamped.

The reports reaching him, he said, of the tide of battle were extraordinary.

"It looks to me more like a political landslide against the Government than anything since 1906. Wherever we go we hear Conservatives deciding to vote Liberal."

#### Points From Speeches.

Following are points from election speeches to-day:

Earl Winterton, Secretary for India, speaking at Woolwich, said that the election of a Parliament in which no single Party had a majority would please nobody but the Bolsheviks, who from Cairo to Canton were intriguing against Great Britain. They would be helped enormously to have a British Government in power which lacked authority.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the leader of the Labour Party, speaking at Manchester, drew a distinction between Russian propaganda of ideas and propaganda of action. The latter, he said, was intended to hamper British internal development and to do mischief internationally, particularly in the Far East, but if the Labour Government is returned, "I shall know how to tackle that."

#### Cruiser Problem.

Lord Cushendun, Britain's principal Geneva representative, speaking at Cambridge, said: "If the Conservatives remain in office for only a few months longer we shall arrive at a perfectly satisfactory agreement with the United States, putting the cruiser problem out of the way altogether."

Mr. Lloyd George, the Liberal leader, has issued an election address, in the course of which he says that the greatest world issue before the country to-day is peace.

"Everybody wants peace and talks peace, but the acid test of whether peace covenants and treaties and pacts mean anything is disarmament."

#### Mr. Lloyd George's Pledges.

"If the Government has confidence in the League of Nations, in the Kellogg Pact for the renunciation of war as an instrument of national policy, in the Washington Treaties, they will cut the vast swollen armaments to police level."

Mr. Lloyd George declares that his first object if elected to power, will be to urge that immediate steps be taken practically to respond to President Hoover's offer and to co-operate with other nations to effect a large and simultaneous reduction of armament.

He adds that for this purpose there should be an immediate international conference.

Mr. Lloyd George also dwells at considerable length on the Liberal plan for dealing with unemployment. He says also that freer trade between all nations was the only road to national, imperial and international prosperity.

#### Tories Challenged.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, addressing a huge audience at Crewe, challenged as an "illegitimate influence" the threat of certain employers that workpeople will lose their jobs if they voted Labour at the Election.

He also declared that the Labour Party at this Election was fighting the cash resources of the other two sides. He would like to pass an Act of Parliament compelling every political party and organisation to register themselves and like the

## CANTON ATTACK ON WUCHOW.

### ARMY AND NAVY JOINING IN COMBINED MOVE.

#### THE KWANGSI DEFEAT.

Canton, May 24.

There is no fresh news of importance in connexion with the Kwangsi-Kwangtung war:

It is now stated that the Kwangsi troops which were defeated on Tuesday at Lupa, were not the main body of the Kwangsi Army, though there were undoubtedly a very large and important force.

The main body of the Kwangsi Army is now reported to be in the neighbourhood of Tak-hing, on the West River, retreating toward Wuchow.

H.M.S. Cicala, stationed at Sam-shui, was wireless that a number of Cantonese gunboats passed through this morning on their way up the West River towards Shui-hing. They are combining with the Cantonese Army in a drive along the West River which has for its aim the capture of Wuchow.

Meanwhile the forces which were defeated at Lupa are retreating in a north-westerly direction towards Kwang Ning.

Although to the casual observer the war appears to be drawing towards a close, many people still believe that the Kwangsi forces will rally again and attempt a new drive on Canton.

General Chan Chai-tong is re-

### ADDITIONAL WATER RESTRICTIONS.

To Come Into Force on Tuesday Next.

#### SEVEN HOURS DAILY.

In consequence of the continuation of dry weather, further water restrictions are to come into force as from Tuesday next.

Under the new arrangements, the principal mains on the island of Hongkong will be closed daily excepting during the following periods:—6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

At present, the supply is cut off between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

ported to have stated that he will capture Wuchow, after which he will be willing to offer peace terms to Kwangsi as he only desires to see the peace and prosperity of the two provinces.—Own Own Correspondent.

## LI CHAI-SUM RUMOURS.

### STORY OF HIS DEATH PERSISTS.

Canton, May 24.

There are still persistent rumours regarding the death of Marshal Li Chai-sum.

It is generally believed that he was alive for some time after the official denials of his death, but that later on, when the interest had died down, he was quietly done away with.

Rumours of this sort are especially prevalent in Wuchow where the Kwangsi politicians make the most of them to stir up the masses against Nanking rule and against Chiang Kai-shek, who is becoming more unpopular daily.

—Our Own Correspondent.

#### LIPTON'S PROFIT.

London, May 24.

Lipton's, Ltd., report a profit of £1,556 for the period March, 1928, to January, 1929.—Reuter.

Trade Unions publish a yearly statement of income and expenditure.

"It would amaze you to know," he added, "the amount of money the Tories and Liberals are spending and will have spent by May 30th. A quarter of a million sterling would be far too short."—Reuter.

## FENG'S MILITARY WITHDRAWAL.

### NOT YET READY FOR OFFENSIVE.

### NANKING CONCENTRATING LARGE FORCES.

#### MANCHURIA REQUEST.

Shanghai, May 24.

While the troop movements continue, it is reliably learned that Marshal Feng Yu-shiang has ordered the retirement of his Kuomintang troops to Western Honan. This movement seems to indicate his desire to remain inactive for the time being and not to take the offensive against Nanking at present.

Marshal Feng is reported to have seized a large quantity of foodstuffs, including 144,880 sacks of flour and 1,250 cases of biscuits, at Kaifeng and other Shensi Province districts, which were assigned to relief of the famine-stricken districts.

It is said that the seized goods will supply the demands of the Kuomintang Army for six months.

#### Nanking Plans.

According to the latest military news it would appear that Nanking is concentrating by far the largest number of troops on the Peking-Hankow Railway in order to effect the capture of Honan Province as soon as war commences.

Divisions under Feng Ting-ying, Ma Min-leh and Tan Tao-yuen are stationed on the Peking-Hankow Railway awaiting orders to open hostilities.

#### Manchuria and Tientsin.

Regarding the reported decision by the Manchurian Government to remain neutral, it is reported that General Chang Hsueh-liang has made a suggestion to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek that in the event of his joining the Feng-Chiang war he will expect Nanking to appoint one of the members of the Fengtien Party to be Mayor of Tientsin. A Nanking report says that Chiang Kai-shek contemplates complying with the request. It is interesting to note that a few days ago when the Peking Mayor, Ho Chi-kung, resigned, a prominent Fengtien official was appointed his successor, apparently because of a suggestion made by General Chang Hsueh-liang.

The management of the Peking-Hankow Railway estimates that consequent explosions in the southern section of the line by Kuomintang troops, it is believed that \$1,400,000 will be required to carry out the necessary repair works.

#### An Anti-Feng Mandate.

Nanking, May 24.

The National Government has issued an official mandate denouncing Feng Yu-shiang as a rebel against the Kuomintang and Government and declares that the charges against Feng are so numerous that the Government can no longer be lenient, therefore Feng is dismissed from all his posts.

It adds that officials all over the country should make an effort to apprehend Feng, so that he may be punished, and the prestige of the Government be upheld.

The above mandate takes the place of the punitive mandate which the Government had been expected to issue.

#### A Great Deal of Support.

The Government received a telegram this afternoon from Ho Ying-ching and sixty-seven other divisional commanders, including Liu Shih and Chang Fat-kwei, denouncing Feng as a rebel, and stating that they are awaiting orders to advance against the Kuomintang.

The charges named by the General Kuomintang against Feng include an allegation that he accepts monthly five million roubles and arms from Russia, and has signed a secret treaty with the Soviet.—Reuter.

## PREMIER'S EMPIRE DAY ADDRESS.

### AN INSTRUMENT OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

#### THE KING'S RECOVERY.

London, May 24.

Millions of children throughout the British Isles celebrated Empire Day by saluting the Union Jack during special parades in the school playgrounds, while most of the schools devoted the morning to a lecture on the Empire.

Some of them had folk-dancing on the village greens, while at one there was a sound film taken of a saluting parade in which the parents joined.

Ships of H.M. Navy were dressed wherever they were stationed and a monster demonstration, with community singing, was arranged at Hyde Park this evening, where the Premier, Mr. Stanley Baldwin broadcast an address to the Empire.

Later.

"The first words the people of Great Britain would wish me to speak to all those who are listening throughout the Empire are words of thanksgiving to Almighty God for the King's recovery," said Mr. Baldwin in his Empire Day message to the Empire.

There was an enormous crowd at Hyde Park where the speech was delivered.

### NATIONAL THANKSGIVING FOR THE KING.

His Majesty Fixes June 16th As the Date.

#### HOSPITAL COLLECTIONS.

London, May 24.

The following announcement has been issued from Buckingham Palace:

"The King, anxious to fulfil the hope expressed in His Majesty's recent message, has decided to attend Westminster Abbey on June 16th to render thanks to Almighty God for his recent recovery."

"His Majesty trusts that his people will join him in this act on the same day in their usual places of worship."

"It is felt that on this occasion the thank offerings from congregations might be appropriately devoted to the hospitals."—Reuter.

delivered, and special arrangements were made for the address to be broadcast throughout Great Britain and the Empire Overseas.

Mr. Baldwin said he considered the Empire as an instrument of Divine Providence for the promotion of mankind's progress.

Referring to India, he said that "we all wait hopefully and confidently for the conclusion of the momentous enquiry now proceeding—confident in their determination to find under Providence the true path and hopeful that their good will and public spirit will find a response in the loyal heart of India."—Reuter.

### STILL BARGAINING ON REPARATIONS.

#### BRITISH PERCENTAGES NOW ASSURED.

Paris, May 24.

The fate of the Reparations Conference still hangs in the balance.

The creditors and Dr. Schacht have been bargaining all day long.

The creditors' present plans at least absolutely safeguard the percentages, due to the British Dominions.—Reuter.

The Hon. Treasurer of the St. John Ambulance Brigade begs to acknowledge the receipt of the following donations towards Brigade Funds:—Mr. Kong W. Suen, \$50; Mr. Choy Hing, \$25; Mr. Tong Tze-sau, \$10.

## BATSMEN FINDING THEIR FORM.

### HUGE COUNTY CRICKET SCORING.

### WARWICK HIT YORKSHIRE BOWLERS FOR 536.

#### KILLICK HITS OUT.

London, May 24.

The past three days have been productive of much brighter cricket from the batsman's point of view and the eight county matches concluded to-day set a record for the season in that ten centuries were scored.

The outstanding performance was that of E. T. Killick, the Cambridge Blue, who scored his second double century for Cambridge, and reached three figures for the third time. He made 200 not out against Glamorgan a fortnight ago, and in the match against Essex ended to-day he made 201.

Lancashire came a cropper before their own supporters, losing by an innings to Sussex, while Surrey went down badly to Leicestershire.

The highest score of the present season was put up against Yorkshire by Warwickshire at Birmingham. Thanks to big efforts by Smith and Santall, R. E. S. Wyatt was able to declare with seven wickets down and 536 runs on the board.

The principal individual feats were:

| Batting.                        |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| E. T. Killick (Cambridge) ..... | 201 |
| O'Connor (Essex) .....          | 168 |
| N. M. Ford (Oxford Un.) .....   | 161 |
| Smith (Warwick) .....           | 142 |
| K. S. Duleepinji (Sussex) ..... | 134 |
| A. T. Barber (Oxford Un.) ..... | 118 |
| Sinfield (Gloucester) .....     | 112 |
| Santall (Warwick) .....         | 109 |
| E. W. Dawson (Leicester) .....  | 103 |
| Berry (Leicester) .....         | 102 |

| Bowling                  |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Kennedy (Hants) .....    | 8 for 24 |
| and .....                | 6 for 63 |
| Astill (Leicester) ..... | 7 for 99 |

#### BOWLING FLOGGED.

No Result in Birmingham Match.

So severely was the bowling flogged at Birmingham that Warwickshire and Yorkshire failed to reach a result on the first innings. The match was somewhat remarkable in that Warwickshire achieved the distinction of putting up the highest score of the season against one of the most powerful county sides.

Yorkshire made a very strong reply, but Warwick were still definitely on top when stumps were drawn.

Warwickshire batted first and compiled 536 runs for seven wickets when R. E. S. Wyatt applied the closure. The score was made possible by a fine partnership between Smith and Santall who were afforded excellent support. Santall was dismissed after making 109, and Smith compiled a brilliant 142.

Yorkshire faced this gigantic total in great style, and they played out time, in a match interrupted by occasional rain, without being dismissed. Six wickets fell while 367 runs were being scored, the visitors therefore being 139 runs in arrears with 4 wickets to fall when stumps were drawn.

Scores:

Warwick: 536 for 7 (dec.)  
Yorkshire: 367 for 6 wickets.

#### ESSEX FIGHT BACK.

Cambridge Battling Strength Again Shown.

Cambridge University, with E. T. Killick as their star performer, gave a brilliant exhibition of batting against Essex at Cambridge and were able to declare in their first innings when 171 runs in advance of their opponents' total.

Essex, however, gave a fine fighting display in their second innings and the match was drawn. Essex batted first, and were dismissed for 293, Drakes being the most successful Varsity bowler, taking 6 wickets for 70 runs. In reply, Cambridge compiled the big total of 464 for 8 wickets.

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## Bulls and Inners

□ □ - From the Office Butts. □ □

Ben never lent a single sou;  
He never signed an I.O.U.  
He grudged himself a cheap cigar,  
And never hired a motor-car;  
He was a skinflint through and through.

His suits were neither neat nor new;  
And alcohol he deemed taboo;  
Against a club or private bar,  
Ben never leant.

He never made (or saw) a joke,  
Though coarse remarks at friends he'd poke;  
He'd talk of charity all night,  
Yet kept his pockets tight.  
So we can hardly call that bloke Benevolent!

Some of the critics are questioning the theory that some of these tanks are fed from nullahs. They don't think it holds water.

The Bateman cartoon is yet to be drawn depicting a Public Works Government Committee testing a punk roller.

Trade may be bad in Canton, but top-makers report that business is humming.

These are days of tankfulness along the Western Praya.

A Shanghai burglar was recently surprised by a typist who was working late. Anybody would be.

The Government idea is that some of these firemen can go to blazes.

It would seem as if there were quite a lot of caves dropping at Government House Ball Room.

When our weather is beastly and torrid:  
And one feels the odd bead on one's forehead:  
One may mop perspiration in sheer desperation;  
But don't call it "sweat"—that's so horrid!

If Government is really wanting more money, what about taxing drivers of cars who imagine that the engine won't run properly unless the horn is sounded loud and long?

Since the erection of the new verandah at the Helena May Institute, we understand that the love duet from Gounod's Romeo and Juliet has become surprisingly popular.

The Helena May's new erection: Suits Juliet's role to perfection: But the passing Peak car: The love-scene doth mar, Hence Romeo's tragic dejection!

Kilts were invented by an Aberdeen lady who won a girl's skirt in a raffle, but whose only child was a boy.

"Sapphira"—How do we know your husband was a journalist? Yes, 'Erb may be his reincarnation.

Our Chief Philologist points out that Des Voeux Road would be more correctly named De l'Eau Road in view of the water-can parade.

An ex-soldier has just died in North China at the age of 102. It's believed he knew the Revolution league tables from the very start.

To choose the lesser of two evils is called diplomacy; to choose the least of three is called a General Election.

According to a London doctor, "a rash could be produced on some people by merely looking at strawberries." That's nothing. We saw a man acquire a strawberry nose and cauliflower ears through not looking at all!

From the S. C. M. Post:—"Lost. At Shek-O Fox Terrier Dog and bunch of keys." Apparently a case of lock-jaw!

The season is approaching when P.W.D. repair gangs set out to tear up any decent stretch of road they can find.

Jack and Jill received a bill (which Jack declared provoking) Disclosing debts for cigarettes—And Jill had done the smoking!

Some of these war correspondents should try their hand at a novel—they're good at fiction.

"Crugadour may run in the Derby after all" says the S. C. M. Post. Why not call him an alcoran and have done with it?

"The Port of Missin' Girls" does not really refer to the k'nuts of a certain bachelor mess who pass it round twice.

Looks as if Lloyd George were trying to solve his own as well as other people's unemployment.

It's a sound reason if you're a critic, but a flimsy excuse if it comes from Government.

A man's lucky if he gets water on the knee in his bath these mornings.

We understand that a well-known tulpan motorist is frightfully annoyed because he is not allowed to blow his own horn!

According to the Chinese calendar, last Tuesday was the day of "Small Fullness." This must not be confused with the feeling experienced after Peak pot-luck!

Plus-fours made of linen for wearing in hot weather are predicted. We've seen them but they should be worn only in very foggy weather.

"Bull Dog for Baldwin," says a more money, what about taxing drivers of cars who imagine that the engine won't run properly unless the horn is sounded loud and long?

"Russian Shot Over The Handlebar" says the China Mail. The Police await the full report.

Heard at the Racecourse:—"Sufficient unto the day is the evil, and Juliet has become surprisingly popular."

"Huge Woman's Vote," says newspaper heading. But it'll only count one along with the slimiest flapper's.

If the Conservatives get a small majority, it'll be a case of "Bald Win for Baldwin."

Newspaper heading:—"Main Supply Not For Flushing." How will the Dutch cleanse her?

Another newspaper heading:—"Balloon-Trousers for Walters." Some of them have got enough bounce already!

Said a bride who was new to Hongkong: "House-keeping out here is all wrong; 'In spite of my wishes 'The boy serves up dishes 'That of garlic and onions do pong."

Some of these cocktail-mixers are no great shakes.

There is no truth in the rumour that Hebe Haven will in future be known as Hebe D—!

An Aberdonian who went to Macao last week-end felt reckless, so he spent a whole night there. The local thieves who have been stealing electric fans are certainly cool.



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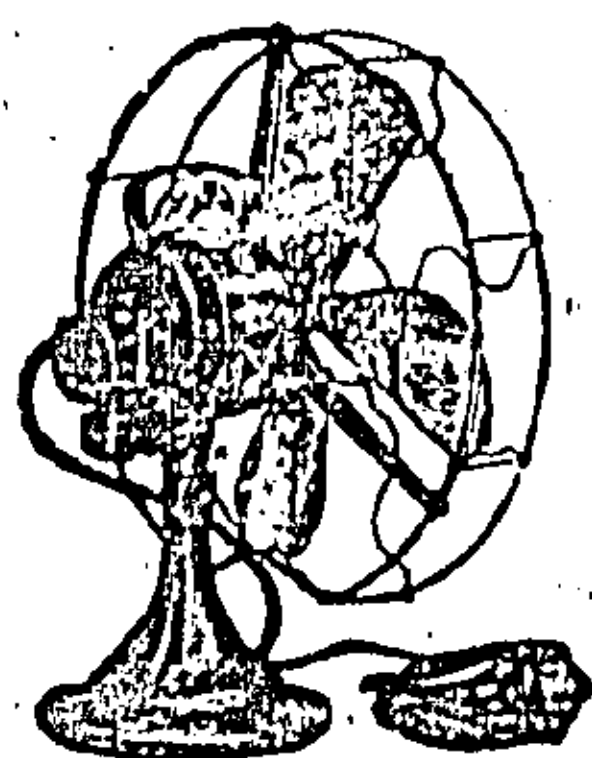
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### HAYLEY MORRIS LIBEL CASE.

#### DAMAGES FOR "PILING ON THE AGONY."

A verdict for Mr. Hayley Morris, in his libel actions, was returned on April 23, by a King's Bench Division jury, who awarded him \$150 damages. Judgment was entered accordingly, with costs. The jury were absent two hours in considering their verdict.

Defendants were United Newspapers (1918) Ltd., of Salisbury-square, E.C., owners of the Sunday News and the Daily Chronicle.

Counsel were: Mr. A. S. Comyns Carr, K.C., Mr. H. S. Simmons, and Mr. J. H. C. Goldie, for the plaintiff; Mr. John Flowers, K.C., and Mr. H. M. Gliven, for the defendants.

Addressing the jury for the defence, Mr. Flowers said that plaintiff's name was a household word for everything that was disgusting. He complained that he had been held up to hatred, odium, ridicule, and contempt, but if that were so, it was because of his own misdeeds. Nothing said against him, however true, had done him an atom of damage in the eyes of his fellow-men.

"By his evidence and demeanour in the witness-box, the plaintiff has shown himself to be a liar, and not only a liar, but a malicious and vindictive liar, who does not hesitate to accuse anybody and everybody of gross misconduct and gross misdeeds." He had declared that every one of the girls, for offences against whom he was convicted, was a prostitute.

The real issue in the case was: What had the plaintiff suffered by way of damage? Whatever the defendants had said, he was such a man that he was not entitled to recover a single farthing. "I am not going to say that the defendants can prove all the things that are suggested in these articles," went on Mr. Flowers. "But I venture to suggest that you will not give very much weight as to whether Mr. Morris was really 'strutting about in the garb of virtue,' or whether there were orgies at the bathing pool in Pippingford Park."

Concluding, Mr. Flowers suggested that the plaintiff was a hypocrite, a foul brute, and the personification of lust.

#### Request for Secrecy.

Mrs. Isabella Stevens, mother of Madeline Roberts and Grace Stevens, was the first witness.

Mr. Flowers stated that she had married again since the events with which they were concerned, and asked that her present name and address should not be disclosed.

His Lordship: So far as I am concerned, there shall be no concealment. Speaking with emotion, Mrs. Stevens said her present husband knew nothing about this Hayley Morris business.

"All this is four years ago," she added, "and I have never told him."

His Lordship: She had better write down her present name and address, then.

Mr. Comyns Carr: To all the witnesses who have given evidence and whose names have appeared in the Press it has been a matter of regret.

His Lordship (to the witness): I understand you have told your husband nothing about these proceedings?—No, sir.

You married him without telling him, at thing about it?—Yes, sir.

Mr. Carr: Is there any reason why I should not show the present name and address of the witness to my client?

His Lordship: No; but he must respect it.

Mrs. Stevens told of a letter arriving for Mr. Morris a few days after his marriage to her daughter,

Madeline. She took it up to the bed-room, and there was a "violent row." Plaintiff opened the letter, and his wife snatched it from him, jumped out of bed, and ran out of the room and downstairs. Witness followed her and told her to take back the letter, and she did so. Later Madeline cried out, and witness returned to the bed-room.

"I found them fighting," she went on. "Then he beat her."

Mr. Flowers: With what?—With a dog-whip—a long one. He struck her across the shoulders once.

What did you do?—I went for him. (Laughter).

In reply to a later question Mrs. Stevens said she had destroyed all the letters relating to the case.

#### Husband Not Told.

His Lordship: Do you mean to say that your husband married you in complete ignorance of all these transactions?—Yes.

You never thought it your duty to tell him?—I wanted to let it all drop.

Mrs. Stevens added that her daughter Madeline and Mr. Morris were constantly quarrelling, and "making it up" again. She spoke of an occasion when Madeline's mouth was bleeding and she had an abrasion on her forehead.

"How much did you get from this paper for the information you gave?" asked his lordship.

Mrs. Stevens said she had it in different sums. She remembered £10, £20, and £35. It was not more than £100 altogether.

Mr. Flowers: Did you ever blackmail this man?—Not to my knowing.

In reply to his lordship Mrs. Stevens said she did not herself write the articles for the Sunday News. She gave the information to a representative of the paper.

Cross-examined by Mr. Carr, the witness said Stevens was her maiden name, and Roberts her married name. She denied that she had ever gone by the name of Felicia Roberts, with an address in Paris.

Mr. Carr: Did you ever write to your daughter Madeline and Mr. Morris, "If you want Gracie to give proper evidence you must make a large settlement in money"?—Never.

Mr. Carr pointed to Mr. Covell, of the firm of Messrs. Withers, Benson, and Co., solicitors, and asked if Mr. Covell had not told her that if she did not apologise he would take the letter to the police.

"I do not remember," was the reply.

His Lordship: You do not get a letter like that every day. Did he say that?

Mrs. Stevens: I cannot say. I do not remember.

His Lordship: Do you ask the jury to believe that?

Mrs. Stevens: I have forgotten many things.

His Lordship: I do not care what you have forgotten. Do you swear that you do not remember if this gentleman said that?

Mrs. Stevens: I had a lot of worry at that time. I had a daughter died.

#### Judge and Witness.

His Lordship: Never mind about your worry, woman. Do you remember him saying that?—No, I do not remember.

Mr. Carr: Do you remember writing that if Mr. Morris did not pay the money you would give information against him to the police, or cause Gracie to say something different to the police?—I have never threatened Hayley Morris. I have nothing against him except what he did to my daughter. I am not sticking up for the eldest. It is the youngest one.

Mr. Carr repeated his question, and Mrs. Stevens denied that she ever wrote to the effect suggested.

Counsel: Did you say you would go to Inspector Savage?—Now you are getting at it. My daughter

Doris was lying dying in hospital. When I was staying at Pippingford Park Hayley Morris promised to help me if anything happened to Doris, but he never kept his word when the girl died. I asked Mr. Covell to ask Morris to help me to bury the girl, and he didn't. That is what they term blackmail. I was only asking for my rights—what he had promised me.

Mr. Carr: I suggest it had nothing to do with burying your daughter. When did she die?—She was buried on January 22, 1926.

Mr. Carr: That is more than a month after Mr. Morris went to prison.

Mrs. Stevens said she did not remember if she told Mr. Covell to tell the plaintiff that if he did not send some money she would have to go to Inspector Savage. After leaving Pippingford Park she was living at the house of a Mrs. Palfear.

Mr. Carr: Did you tell her that Mr. Morris was not going to ruin your daughters for nothing?—I may have done.

And that if you could not get it out of him you would get it out of a newspaper?—I may have done.

#### Wage of £1 a Week.

Before these charges at Uckfield how much money had you from Mr. Morris?—My wage of £1 a week for working in the house and my fares to and from London.

Are you saying that you were working there as a servant?—Yes, with Mrs. Keen.

Did Madeline or Gracie give you £5 or £10 at a time, which they got from Mr. Morris on your instructions?—Never.

Witness said that she did not send her eldest son to threaten Mr. Morris early in 1925. If her son got £30 he never gave any of it to her.

Is Madeline really your daughter?—Yes.

Mrs. Stevens agreed that when she first went to Pippingford Park Madeline introduced her to the plaintiff as her aunt. "I was not good enough," she explained.

"She did not want Mr. Morris to know her mother was a poor person working as a servant. She gave me to understand that she was house-keeper to Mr. Morris, not his mistress." She denied that she sent Gracie to Pippingford Park so that she (witness) would be in position to blackmail the plaintiff.

"The story you told the newspaper is a pack of lies from beginning to end," suggested counsel.

"It is not," declared the witness.

Mr. Horace Edgar Cheeseman, a freelance journalist, said he paid Mrs. Stevens £100 for the information she gave him, which he wrote.

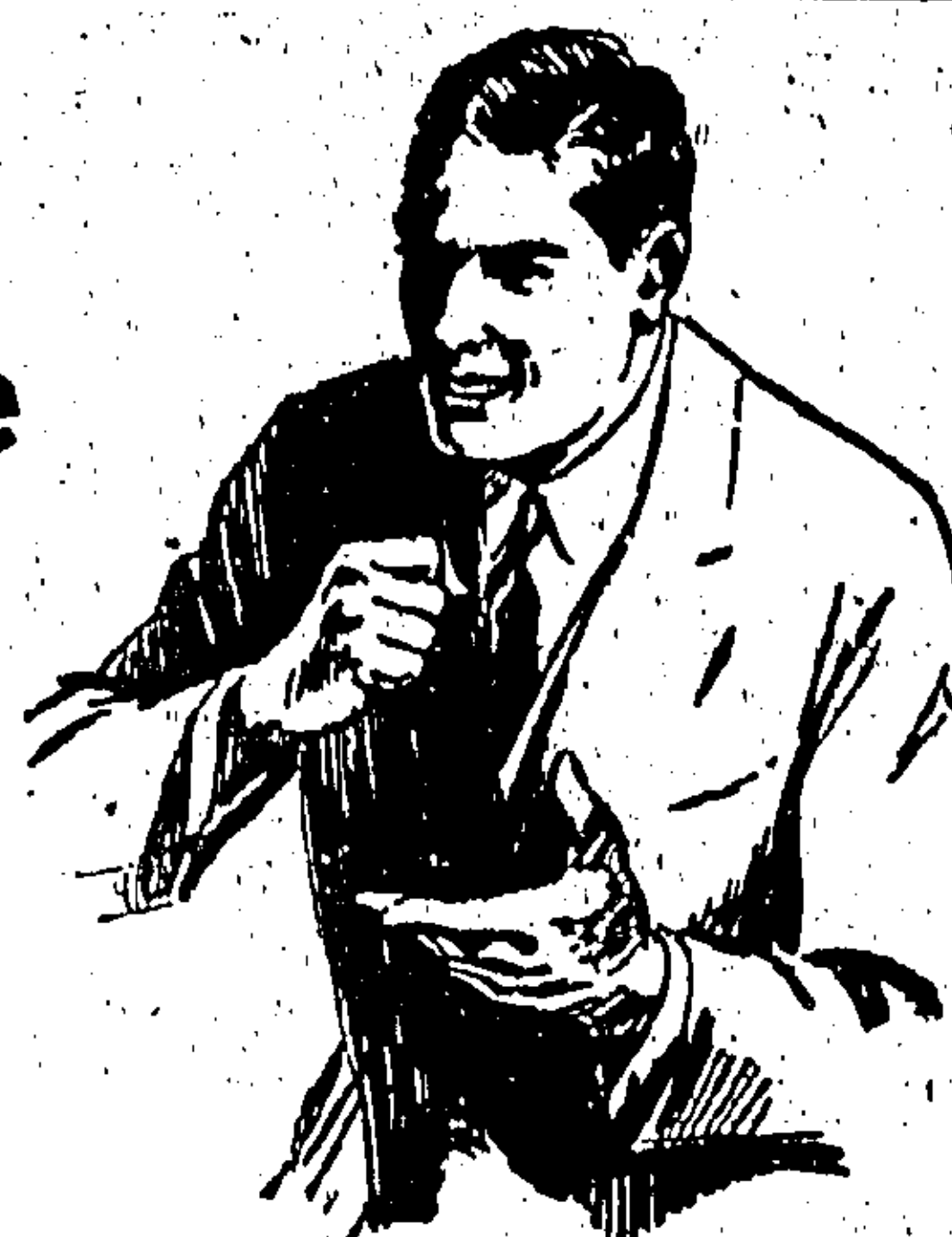
His Lordship: What did the newspaper pay you?—£150.

Witness said another newspaper was prepared to pay £250 for the article if the period between the conviction and appeal in the case was not more than six weeks. That arrangement failed because the intervening period was longer than six weeks. The articles were set up in proof form and given to him for Mrs. Stevens to read and sign.

Summing-up, his lordship said that newspapers and others had no right to pile on the agony by saying what was not true of a man after he had been convicted. Having referred to the Court of Appeal judgments in the case, Hobbs v. C. T. Tilling and Co., his lordship added that it would be a bad day for English justice if a man of bad character could not go into court and say that defendant had exceeded what could fairly be said of him. Because the plaintiff had been bad in the past was no reason why people should say of him after his trial, and when he was down and out, what was untrue.

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## HONGKONG COUPLE.

## DIVORCE DECREE AFFIDAVIT EVIDENCE.

In an undefended petition Mr. Walter George Matthews Wilson, an engineer, of Sharncliffe, Canton, sought the dissolution of his marriage with Mrs. Adele Marion Moreton Wilson, nee Fuller, on the ground of her adultery with Mr. George William Berry.

The marriage took place on October 31, 1921, at Brixton Independent Church, the petitioner then being an engine-room artificer in the Royal Navy.

Mr. H. R. Barker (with him Mr. Noel Middleton) appeared for the petitioner.

"The evidence had been taken entirely on affidavit.

The President of the Court (Lord Merrivale), in giving judgment, said that at the beginning of the proceedings the petitioner was located, at any rate for the time being, in Hongkong, but was domiciled in England. His wife left him in Hongkong and went off with the co-respondent to Western Australia. The petitioner was, therefore, under the necessity of establishing the charge by evidence from Hongkong and Western Australia. That had been done by means of affidavits proving what was alleged, without involving any undue burden on the petitioner. It would be useful to people who were seeking divorce and who were confronted with difficulties of obtaining a decree, as in this case, to be aware of that procedure.

His Lordship pronounced a decree nisi, with costs against the co-respondent.

Solicitors—Messrs. Gibson and Weldon, for Messrs. Deacon's, Hongkong.

## LOCAL HOCKEY.

## VOLUNTEERS V. SOMERSETS.

The following will represent the Machine Gun Company H.K.V.D.C. in whites against the M.G. Coy Somerset L.L. on Thursday 30th May at 6.30 p.m. at Shamshui-poo.—N. S. Lee, H. V. Parker, G. A. L. Plummer, R. M. Wood, E. J. R. Mitchell, F. S. D. Whitley, H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divet, V. W. L. Stanion, C. C. Francis and E. C. Fincher.

## LAWN TENNIS.

## LOCAL PLAYERS WIN INTERPORT HONOURS.

Without playing anything like brilliant tennis, Khoo Hooi-hye, the Malayan player easily defeated M. W. Lo, the local champion, yesterday although the Hongkong champion showed a greater variety of strokes than his opponent, who relied more on his superior consistency and an occasional deadly forehand drive to pull him through. The scores in favour of the visiting player were 6-1, 6-2.

The match was played on the Chinese R. C. ground and was the last of the series of games promoted between two Malaya players and local Chinese. The C.R.C. representatives had won two matches against one up to yesterday and by Lai Kwong-tsun beating Ong Ee-kong, in the first match of the day, the honours went to the local players.

## The First Match.

Ho Ka-lau, the C.R.C. champion, was to have met Ong, but an injured arm prevented him from taking part. Lai Kwong-tsun, a "B" Division player, filling the breach, gained a creditable victory over the Malayan player, winning by 6-2, 6-2.

The local man started nervously, and lost the first two games, but soon adapted himself to his opponent's forcing tactics, and from the third game dominated the play, returning drive for drive and frequently mixing his strokes by accurate placing along the side lines and occasionally dropping the ball short.

Ong was apparently suffering from the severe strain of having to play three days in succession, and gave a poor exhibition. Except for occasional flashes he failed to come up to expectations, and was erratic throughout.

## The Second Game.

It was expected that M. W. Lo would give Khoo a hard fight, but the local player was no match for the visitor. Khoo, whose only really brilliant shot is his fierce forehand drive, was the more consistent of the two, and when he did not employ his deadly stroke his returns were executed with greater accuracy than Lo's.

The local champion concentrated on Khoo's backhand, but although the Malayan player was never brilliant in this department he was not to be beaten, and invariably placed his shots with precision. On several occasions, Lo drove to his backhand and advanced to the net, but Khoo passed him without undue difficulty.

Lo, it must be said played a much better game than the scores suggest. He returned quite a number of Khoo's drives and was volleying well. He had had luck with several of his shots, which literally rolled on the top of the net and then fell back into his own court.

The results of yesterday's games thus gave the local Chinese victory by three matches to two.

The visiting players, who are returning to Malaya during the weekend, were entertained to a dinner by the members of the Chinese Recreation Club at Causeway Bay last night, when a most enjoyable evening was spent.

## LAWN BOWLS.

## DRAW FOR OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

There has been a record entry for the Open Singles lawn bowls Championship of the Colony this year. No less than 83 players have sent in their names as against 78 last year, which was then the record.

Most of the principal players of the Colony have entered. The championship is held by J. Ferguson, of Tai-koo, who meets A. T. Hamilton in the preliminary round. The name of A. Clark, who was runner-up last year does not appear in the list, neither does that of R. Duncan who reached the semi-final.

The draw is as under:

## 1st Round.

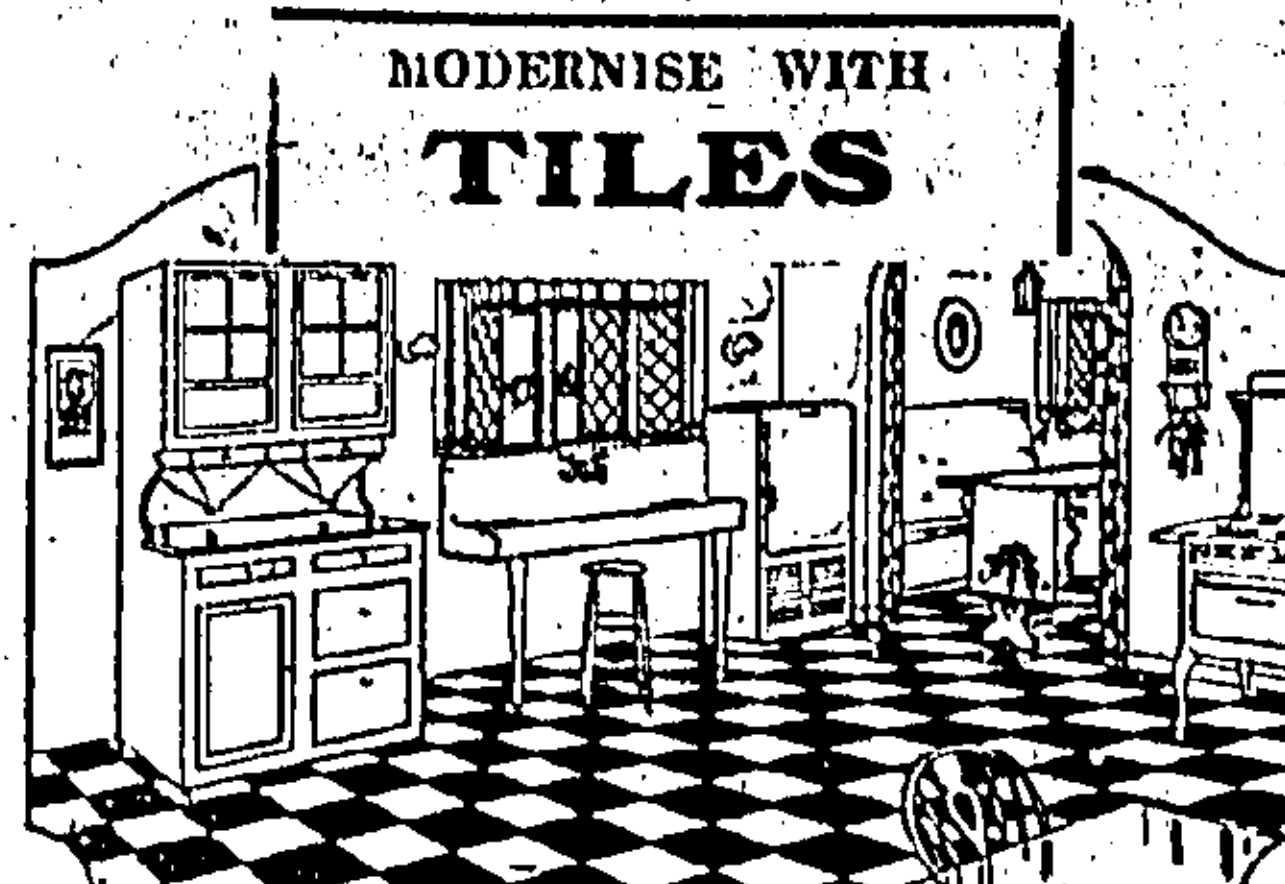
A. F. Paul v B. W. Bradbury.  
A. C. Burford v D. C. Walmesley.  
U. M. Omar v J. West.  
E. W. L. Hogbin v J. McLaggan.  
H. Hampton v G. R. Edwards.  
W. B. Muskett v J. R. Archibald.  
S. Eccleshall v R. Basa.  
E. W. Shimmonds v R. T. Taylor.  
G. Hargreaves v A. H. Busto.  
C. M. S. Alton v C. G. Mycock.  
F. Cullen v G. Morrison.

## Preliminary Round.

A. Chapman v A. O. Brown.  
H. Overy v E. G. Post.  
H. Rose v C. Sara.  
F. E. Booker v C. E. Marques.  
A. T. Hamilton v J. Ferguson.  
W. J. Bickford v S. J. Clarke.  
T. Young v F. C. Goodman.  
J. Chalmers v H. Beer.  
D. Muir v W. Wotherpoon.  
S. Randle v G. McLeod.  
J. Carr v W. Russell.  
B. E. Maughan v N. Drummond.  
J. Smith v D. Munro.  
J. Field v C. Atkinson.  
W. Glendon v R. Marks.  
A. Hyde-Lay v L. R. Whant.  
H. Nish v J. Hollidge.  
C. G. Silva v J. P. Gregory.  
L. E. Lammert v H. L. Lockhart.

## 1st Round.

E. L. Holland.  
A. W. Grimmer v J. MacLachlan.  
E. el Arculli v D. Rumjahn.  
J. Massey v P. A. Yvanovich.  
R. Hall v L. A. Gutierrez.  
D. Gow v W. E. Bell.  
P. T. Farrell v J. C. Brown.  
W. Macdonald v R. E. Davies.  
W. Muir v G. Moss.  
J. Laing v J. Gibson.  
W. S. Drake v J. Kershaw.  
R. F. Luz v H. F. Westlake.



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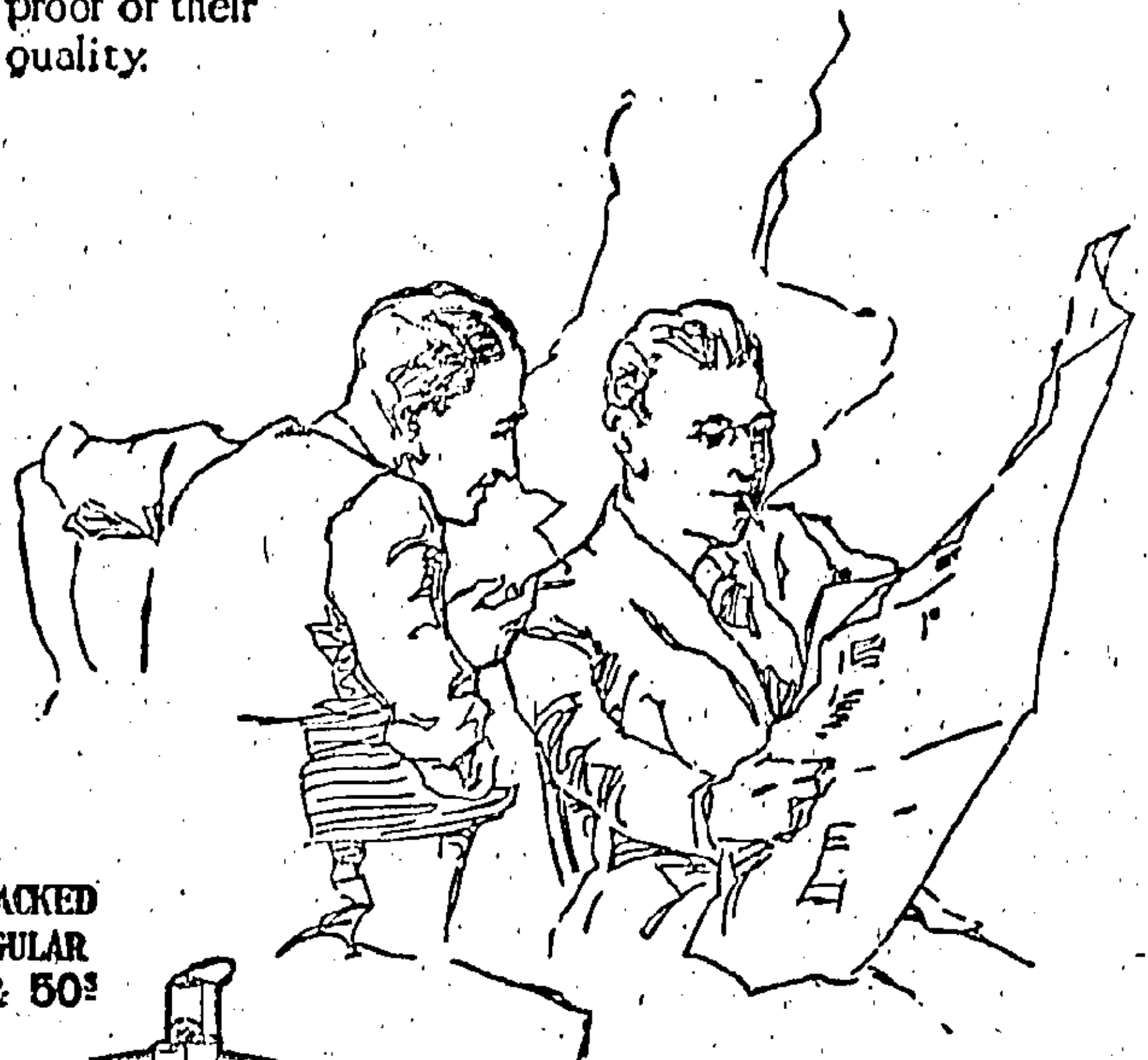
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**CHINA AND JAPAN.**  
LANDING PARTY TO WITHDRAW FROM HANKOW.

It is learned that the naval landing party which has been maintain-

ed at Hankow since the 1927 incident will be withdrawn on May 31, as the situation is now regarded as stabilised.

Mr. Yoshizawa has left for Nan-king, the Chinese Minister, Mr. Wang Jung-pao, travelling on the

same train, for the purpose of attending the ceremony of removal of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's remains. Mr. Yoshizawa is carrying a silver wreath as a gift from Government to Sun Yat-sen's memorial.



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### CHURCH NOTICES.

#### Local Services for To-morrow.

#### TRINITY SUNDAY.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, May 26th, 1929. Trinity Sunday, Choral Eucharist 8 a.m. Children's Service 10 a.m. Peak Sunday School 10 a.m. Matins 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. Sir Montague Beauchamp, Bart.

Holy Communion 12 noon. Evening 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Sir Montague Beauchamp, Bart.

Union Church, Kennedy Road, Sunday, May 26th, 1929. Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Service 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. F. C. Young. Hymns 599, 803, 49, 604. The evening service at 6 p.m. will be broadcast. Preacher: Rev. F. C. Young. Soloist, Mr. A. Kewon. Hymns 86, 192, 152. After the service there will be an Organ recital.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station. Sunday Services, 11.15 a.m. Subject: "Soul and Body." The Sunday School is held on Sunday Mornings at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Meeting at 8.30 p.m. Reading Room at above address open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Monday and Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the service and visit the Reading Room.

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HAROLD T. CREASY, Water Authority Public Works Department, Hong Kong, 25th, May, 1929.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 28th ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Lane Crawford, Ltd., Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, on SATURDAY, the 8th JUNE, 1929, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 28th FEBRUARY, 1929.

TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 29th MAY, 1929, to the 9th JUNE, 1929, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. C. HOWELL, Secretary.

#### INDO-CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Forty-Eighth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 19th JUNE, 1929, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 12th JUNE to 3rd July, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th, May, 1929.

#### NOTICE.

As from 22nd May, 1929, Mr. E. D. Shank has been appointed Managing Director of the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Co., Ltd.

By Order of the Board.

#### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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Members are requested to send in their applications for the above before Friday, 31st May, as it is proposed to close the list of subscribers on that date.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1929.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office at China Buildings (6th floor) Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 6th JUNE, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Account for the year ending 28th February, 1929; and of electing additional directors, if thought fit, and also of electing an auditor.

THE TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd May to 5th June, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE.

PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE.

It is hereby notified that the Playing Fields Committee is desirous of obtaining the views of as many interested persons and associations as possible, and those who have any suggestions or representations to make regarding the present and future provision of playing fields in the Colony are invited to forward them early to Mr. T. Megarry, Secretary to the Committee, at the Colonial Secretariat.

Anyone wishing to support his written representations by oral evidence before the Committee is requested to inform the Secretary accordingly.

An application by May Slater, aged 27, of Beverly, for leave to appeal against her conviction of 15 years' penal servitude for the attempted murder of her step-daughter, Jenn, aged 8, was dismissed at the Court of Criminal Appeal. The child was found unconscious on a common.

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### THE DECLINE OF A NATION.

#### EFFECT OF MALARIA ON GREEK CIVILISATION.

London, Apr. 26.

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With this introduction, Sir Thomas Oliver, the Vice-Chancellor of Durham University, who delivered his presidential address to the Institute of Hygiene yesterday on "some factors which have made for the decline of nations," analysed the cause of the decline of ancient Greek civilisation.

In the Fourth Century B.C., he said, a change had taken place in Greek character; patriotism had declined, and the people had lost their manly vigour and intellectual strength. It was about this time that malaria became prevalent in Greece—even to-day 40 per cent. of the people in Greece were said to be suffering from the disease.

Malaria, however, was not the only cause of the decline. "The Greek," said Sir Thomas, "had lost not only his religion, but also his faith, and without faith in something higher than itself no nation can long survive."

Success in commerce and her highly-developed merchant navy had, he added, made Greece wealthy and supplied her with the means of gratifying luxurious tastes, while wars had drained the young life of the country.

#### Effect of Climate.

Sir Thomas also had some interesting remarks to make with regard to the effect of climatic conditions on a nation.

"If we look at the civilised world to-day," he said, "I think it will be admitted that those nations are certainly the most virile where the seasons vary and the temperature is moderate. Men are stimulated or depressed by climatic conditions."

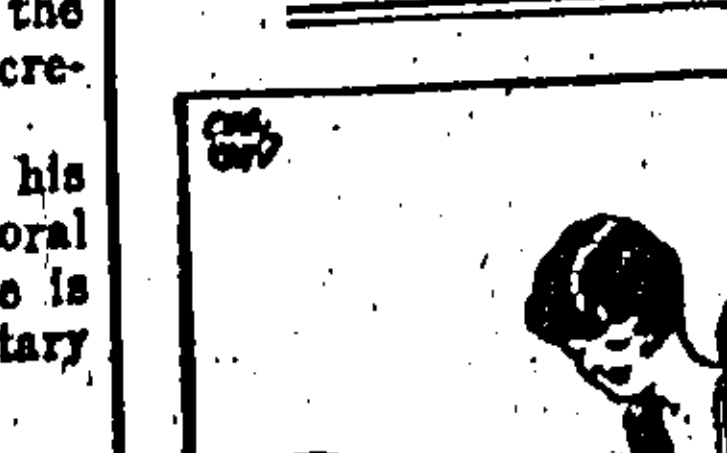
Experiments in the United States of America with workpeople in varying climatic conditions were then described. "Changes in the barometer," Sir Thomas said, "had considerable influence, but temperature was clearly the most important element. All who took part in the experiments were most physically active when the temperature ranged between 60 deg. and 70 deg. F."

Change of temperature, he added, was proved to be helpful, for the people did not work well when the temperature remained constant.

Dealing with the status of women, Sir Thomas said that the emancipation of woman remained one of the most important events of our time. "The declining acceptance of the responsibilities of motherhood," he added, "the disinclination on the part of many women to marry, protracted postponement of the event, limitation of family and easy divorce are circumstances which cannot be ignored by students of racial biology."

It was, he said, with nations as with individuals. It was during the years of strenuous effort, when men must work and life was frugally lived, that a people became stronger and stronger and rose to power, and not when wealth had accumulated.

"Are wealth, luxury, and desire the aim and object of civilisation?" he asked. "If so, then civilisation appears to develop and sow the seeds of her own destruction."



Quite often things are marked down because they're marked up.

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#### RADIO NOTICE.

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#### INWARD MAILS.

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| U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai    | Pres. Grant                | May 25. |
| Shanghai and Swatow                  | Szechuen                   | May 25. |
| Straits                              | Hakone Maru                | May 25. |
| Manila                               | Pres. Jefferson            | May 27. |
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| To                              | Per         | Date and Time.           |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Formosa                         | Tosho Maru  | Sat., May 25, 1 p.m.     |
| Shanghai and Europe via Siberia | Hsin Chang  | Sat., May 25, 2.30 p.m.  |
| Java via Batavia                | Tjikembang  | Sat., May 25, 2.30 p.m.  |
| Manila                          | Pres. Grant | Sat., May 25, 4.30 p.m.  |
| Straits                         | Glenbeg     | Sat., May 25, 6 p.m.     |
| Amoy                            | Anhui       | Sat., May 25, 6 p.m.     |
| Hollow                          | Chinhua     | Sun., May 26, 8.30 a.m.  |
| Amoy and Formosa via Swatow     | Canton Maru | Sun., May 26, 9 a.m.     |
| Swatow and Bangkok              | Kalgan      | Sun., May 26, 9 a.m.     |
| Japan                           | Tacoma Maru | Mon., May 27, 10 a.m.    |
| Shanghai and Japan              | Hakone Maru | Mon., May 27, 10.30 a.m. |

Straits and Calcutta ..... Kutsang ..... Mon., May 27, noon.

Swatow ..... Hydrangea ..... Mon., May 27, 2.30 p.m.

Wei Hai Wei ..... Sunning ..... Tues., May 28, 3 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B. C. and Europe via Siberia, ..... Pres. Jefferson ..... Tues., May 28, 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ..... Ha Ning ..... Tues., May 28, 2 p.m.

Manila ..... Emp. of France ..... Tues., May 28, 3 p.m.

Swatow ..... Hangsang ..... Tues., May 28, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco, and Europe via Siberia Talyo Maru ..... Wed., May 29, 8.15 a.m.

Japan ..... Registration ..... 8.15 a.m.

Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island Tanda ..... Letters ..... 8.15 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta ..... Namsang ..... Fri., May 31, 1 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ..... Halying ..... Fri., May 31, 1 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Katori Maru ..... Sat., June 1, 11.30 a.m.

Japan and Victoria B.C. ..... Tyndarus ..... Sat., June 1, 8.45 a.m.

Manila ..... Pres. Polk ..... Fri., June 1, 5 p.m.

Sandakan ..... Hinsang ..... Tues., June 4, 8.30 a.m.

Sailors ..... Sphinx ..... Tues., June 4, 1 p.m.

Manila ..... Registration ..... 1.45 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C.B. America, Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Siberia ..... Empress of France ..... Wed., June 5, 8 p.m.

Flames 60 Ft. High Menace Manor.

Westerham, Apr. 24. Miss Sarah Churchill, the 15-year-old daughter of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, this evening calmly telephoned Major Hicks, the captain of the Westerham Fire Brigade, and told him that Chertwell Manor was in danger of fire.

"Will you come at once!" she said, without a tremor in her voice. Major Hicks summoned the volunteer Westerham Brigade, and in three and a half minutes they were on their way to the Chancellor's house, two miles away.

On reaching the manor they found the common opposite the house was blazing furiously, flames reaching to a height of 80 feet, and spreading towards the residence. The building was enveloped in clouds of thick smoke, blown by a strong breeze from half a mile of blazing bracken and scrub.

Water From Lake. Employees at the manor, under the bailiff, Mr. Arnold, were already

doing what they could to beat down the fire, and on the arrival of the brigade they helped the firemen to lay half a mile of hose







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**THE COLONY'S  
PROGRESS.**

The latest returns issued by the Government show the Colony's financial position to be decidedly more rosy than for a very long time past. So well did the revenue improve during 1928 that estimates were exceeded by close on five million dollars, and the year ended with a balance in hand of more than eight millions. Figures have now been issued for the first month of the present year, and these show that the improvement will continue, with the result that we are nearing the ten million dollar mark in the matter of our credit balance. Revenue for January was more than \$56,000 above the figure for the same month last year, whilst there was a reduction of more than two lakhs in outgoings.

In looking through the detailed statistics, two facts are noteworthy, namely, the considerably increased income from land sales and a marked decline in P.W.D. expenditure. Particularly gratifying is the rise in receipts from land, as this shows that the development of the Colony is once more proceeding apace. The income from this source last year was some million and a half dollars above that for 1927, whilst for the first month of the present year sales brought in nearly \$69,000, compared with a mere \$7,200 in January of 1928. There has been a steady progressive rise under this heading for months past, and there appears every likelihood that this year's estimate of a million dollars will be very materially exceeded. Another pleasing feature is that last year the receipts from the Railway showed an advance of well over a lakh of dollars. This Government undertaking is now more than paying its way, as revealed by the fact that on last year's working there was a profit which works out at more than six thousand dollars per month. Of course, there is a very great deal of leeway to be made up yet, for the capital expenditure on this undertaking has been tremendously heavy, so much so, in fact, that it can be described as one of the most expensively-constructed railways in the world. It has been shown that for the successful operation of the railway, the maintenance of through traffic to Canton is essential, and the fact

that last year there was hardly any interruption explains why the revenue so greatly improved. It is to be hoped that the full service to and from Canton will again very shortly be restored, to the manifest advantage of both the British and Chinese sections, and that whatever may happen in South China, the present year will witness freedom from serious or prolonged interference.

Taking the Colony's financial situation as a whole, there is every cause for satisfaction that the storm of your years ago has been so well weathered, and that our recovery has been so complete. It is true, of course, that we never know what may happen in South China, but it is hardly to be expected that, whatever occurs, there will again be any repetition of the disastrous events of 1925. It is obviously to the common interests both of Hongkong and Canton that concord and co-operation should mark the relationship between the two places, and we have sufficient faith in the common-sense of our Chinese friends to believe that they fully realise the futility of discordant attitudes. We are not concerned in this Colony with the political or military disputes between various factions, nor with the question as to who should rule Canton. It is our business, just as it should be Canton's, to preserve the existing friendship. That established, progress should be mutual and prosperity grow as the years go by.

**Sharp Practice.**

Mr. Winston Churchill is not to be congratulated upon the manner of his attempt to make political capital of the King's Norton controversy. In an election campaign of such intensity, it is perhaps to be expected that sharp practice should, in isolated cases, stir personal combats between some of the smaller political fry, but a higher degree of honesty is demanded of the leaders of the parties, and Mr. Churchill's speech at Woodford does not reflect creditably. It is not merely a question of imparting high party colouring to a Labour speech. Mr. Churchill is quoted as having made a plea to Conservative, Constitutionalists and others "to arouse themselves to defend the national welfare against the Socialist threat to commandeer works." Presuming always that the Chancellor has been correctly reported, the allegation is a serious misrepresentation of the Labour declaration. The issue raised at King's Norton is perfectly clear. Sir Herbert Austin, the Conservative candidate, chairman of the Austin Motor Works, told his worker constituents that if the McKenna Duties were removed by the new Parliament the works might have to close down. The Labour candidate immediately replied that if the Austin Works were closed down in consequence of the return to power of the Labour Party, the Government would take control. There is nothing here about commandeering works, either express or implied. All the speeches of the Labour Party bearing on the issue have been consistent in that they indicate the holding of the opinion that Sir Herbert Austin was guilty of a "threat" to influence the voting. As far as we see it, the Labour "threat" to invoke the Emergency Powers Act has no application except in the event of the realisation of the Conservative "threat" which, of course, was bluff. It might easily be, supposing a number of capitalists closed their works because a Labour Government removed the McKenna Duties, that a national emergency would arise, and that the Socialists would be justified in taking drastic action to enforce a continuation of employment. That is as far as the Labour spokesmen have gone, and we see no reason to fear either eventuality. Mr. Churchill's denunciation will have no influence on those capable of thinking for themselves, but the existence of a safety valve is no excuse for going beyond the bounds.

**DAY BY DAY.**

THOSE WHO HAVE USED TO CRAMP LIBERTY HAVE GONE SO FAR AS TO RESENT EVEN THIS LIBERTY OF COMPLAINING.—Swift.

Chaplain the Rev. J. C. Waters, M.A., has been appointed to H.M.S. Kent.

A boiler-maker, living at No. 14, Tai Wong Street, committed suicide yesterday by taking poison.

In commemoration of Empire Day all the foreign banks in Shamen were closed and all the gunboats in port dressed ship.

Mr. E. D. Shank has been appointed Managing Director of the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Co., Ltd., as from May 22, 1929.

It is advertised that the seventh ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., will be held at Exchange Building, on Saturday, June 8 at 12 noon.

Only one Chinese gunboat, the Ying Swee, now remains in port. One left harbour on Thursday and the Kwang Yuan and the Chu Tai sailed to-day for an unknown destination.

Mr. W. L. Southern and Mrs. Southern are to leave for Hongkong on Saturday, May 25, 1929.

The twenty-eighth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd., will be held at the offices of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Exchange Building, on Saturday, June 8, at 12.30 p.m.

A young Chinese leaped into the water from the Yumati ferry Man Lee, in midstream yesterday. The launch was immediately stopped, and the would-be suicide was rescued through the efforts of two members of the crew.

The forty-eighth ordinary general meeting of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., is advertised to take place at the offices of the General Manager, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday, June 13, at 12 noon.

The case in which Mr. H. Cooper is suing the Newspaper Enterprise, Ltd., for \$1,000 for alleged wrongful dismissal was mentioned in the Summary Court this morning, before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood). His Lordship fixed the case for hearing next Tuesday week at ten o'clock.

A large audience gathered at the Theatre Royal last night to witness the farewell performance of the Banvard English Comedy Company. The piece chosen for the occasion was "The Cuckoo in the Nest," which was the play staged when the Company first reached the Colony. As before, it was accorded an enthusiastic reception, there being prolonged applause at the final curtain.

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Overcalling Partner's Bid—4.

When you possess the minimum of "normal expectancy" or less, it behooves you to furnish your partner with information as follows:

1—When holding minimum normal support as X X X or A X or K X in trumps, bid other major only if it is better than an original bid.

2—When holding Q X in trumps, bid (a) other major if as good as original bid or (b) no trump with two other suits stopped and total hand worth at least two quick tricks.

3—When holding less than Q X bid (a) any suit as good as K Q X X or (b) no trump if two other suits are stopped and worth more than one quick trick.

Examples of third-hand bids follow. In each instance the third hand is depleted, and in each instance partner has bid one club. The best bid for third hand is shown.

Spades X X X; hearts A Q X X X; diamonds X X X; clubs X X X. Hand is as good as a defensive

**ON THE SHAPING OF ENDS.**

Examples From Great Writers.

To most great writers has been attributed, by a classifying obsession, a consistent body of doctrine, or a theory of art, deliberately planned from the first as his contribution to the world. Men like Thackeray, Dickens, Hardy and Conrad are credited with a conscious plan of dealing with the human drama, so that when one of them turns about in mid-career, as did Dickens or Thackeray, the critics lament his failure to give all that was in him. They are stamped, moreover, with labels.

Thus, we commonly think of Hardy as obsessed throughout his career by "the dark ironic stress of circumstance"; of Dickens as the master-showman of London; of George Eliot as mapping out for herself a deliberate treatment of what someone has called the "higher provincialism" of the English countryside. These and other such writers had a message for the world, we are told which it was the avowed purpose of their being to deliver to their day and generation.

But we must guard against dogmatism in these matters. The writings of any great novelist will present, normally, a body of thought, which is more or less consistent throughout. There is, however, one important modifying factor which should not be overlooked. This is the peculiar fact that in many cases, writers were moved to begin their careers by circumstances which may almost be termed fortuitous—over which they themselves exercised no control.

A good example is found in the case of Dickens. There was no deliberate intention in the early training of the man; in fact, he was not trained for anything. His tastes were equally divided between books and acting. As far as he planned anything, he planned to be an actor. After having written plays as a boy, which, as he tells us, "were performed with unbounded applause to overflowing nurseries," he turned as a young man to the stage. When nineteen, and a short-hand reporter in the law courts, he applied to Charles Kemble for an appointment to show his ability as an actor. All was arranged, but when the day came it was impossible for him to attend. The engagement was put off for a time, and the outcome is thus summed up by Dickens himself:

"I began to write; didn't want money; had never thought of the stage but as a means of getting it, gradually left off turning my thoughts that way and never resumed the idea." His dramatic tastes lay dormant, though they were partially satisfied many years later when he gave his series of dramatic readings. It is a pleasing speculation to imagine what he would have made of himself as an actor.

Thomas Hardy—like Trollope and Thackeray—began his career with no intention of literature. Thackeray was an artist from choice and Trollope a postmaster from necessity. Hardy studied to be an architect. All three broke away from what had every indication of becoming a career, for reasons which do not seem to have involved much conscious thought. Hardy, like his Stephen Smith in "A Pair of Blue Eyes," went into Cornwall in the fifties to report on the reconstruction of some of the ancient churches which were to be remodelled during the wave of "Pseudo-Gothicism" with the "dialects of Ruskin." Looking back now, with our knowledge of his mastery of the novel, it is difficult to realize that there should have been any hesitation as to the field of his choice. But hesitation there was, extending over years, and colouring his youth with uncertainty.

So uncertain was he at first as to the literary value of his writings, that in his early work he employed a plan of deliberate mystification in setting and authorship lest his architectural career should later be compromised by the re-

putation of an unsuccessful novelist.

As late as 1870, when he was thirty years old, he wrote his fiancée declaring that he had definitely abandoned novel-writing, and was to be an architect. She protested vigorously, with more faith in him than he had in himself. The scales were finally turned by his meeting with a fellow architect who had great respect for Hardy's literary potentialities. This friend suggested that literature would at least be a resource in the event of the architectural drawing upon which he was continually engaged proving too trying. With this coincided a meeting with a publisher of his acquaintance who asked when a novel could be got ready. The result was "Under the Greenwood Tree." After this Hardy turned finally to literature.

Thackeray did not deliberately choose the field wherein he became a master of his day and his class. Charterhouse, Oxford, the Continent—his tastes, so far as any were manifest, lay in the direction of art. He studied in Paris—in a somewhat desultory manner, to be sure. When Dickens had already gained prominence as a novelist, Thackeray called on him with some illustrations.

"Strange to say," says Thackeray, humorously, "they were not accepted." It was after this that he definitely took up writing. What ever was to be his later success, the actual choice of a literary career seems to have been determined by a set of circumstances. He might have been this or that; actually, he became a writer.

There is a fine old phrase which the earlier school of critics used to employ—"cacothetic scribbler!" the "urge to write." This urge, I suppose, while not, so insistent in the earlier mental equipment of certain great writers as the critics would have us believe, nevertheless is, in other cases, quite unmistakable. Browning, for instance, was marked out for a literary career. Tennyson decided things for himself, despite the unbelief of his grandfather, that fine old gentleman, who having read a youthful effusion, handed the boy a sovereign with the remark: "There my boy; that is the first money you have ever earned for poetry, and take my word for it, it will be the last!" Pope reported that

While yet a child, and yet unknown to fame,

I lapsed in numbers—for the numbers came.

Kent's "could not live without poetry." Longfellow gave up his professorship to gain time for writing. Wordsworth, after a young manhood of some considerable waywardness, finally became dedicated to poetry. But Scott was otherwise; we all remember the story of the manuscript novel found in the search for fishing tackle.

The apparent lack of a conscious impelling motive, in the case of so many who have won high literary fame, forms an interesting topic for discussion. One would not wish to be dogmatic, still less to upset the logic of those who find a long-meditated philosophy in the writings of the great. Philosophy, of course, there is; but is there not often something almost haphazard in the first approach? The great novelists do not consider themselves the divinely appointed ministers of a world ready-made for their interpretation. Not so; they are in and of their own world; they must live and watch and wait. They are not stationed on the mountain-top, critically examining the conflict below, thoughtfully waiting the fullness of time. On the contrary, they must turn "home to the instant need of things." The moment came, accidentally, one might say. The novelist may have planned quite otherwise, but he is summoned now "to paint the thing as he sees it." Chance, or drift, or coincidence, or development, call it what you will, his ends are shaped to purposes other than he planned or foresaw. —A. B. De A. in the *Christian Science Monitor*.

Col. & Mrs. R. B. Skinner were among the passengers leaving for Shanghai and Tientsin per the P. and O. liner Rajputana, which sailed yesterday.

Yesterday morning, shortly after seven o'clock, while the Shumchun-Kowloon train was approaching the Low station, it knocked down and injured a Chinese youth of about 16. The timely action of the driver in slowing down probably saved the boy's life. He was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

Among the passengers disembarking at Hongkong from the s.s. Morea yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. J. Johnston, Mr. A. J. Ling, Mr. C. H. Ashworth and Capt. J. G. Coxeter. Sir Sidney Barton, former Consul General at Shanghai, is a through passenger. He is on his way to take up his new post in Abyssinia.



BRITISH LADY PAIR  
BEATEN.SURPRISE IN FRENCH TENNIS  
CHAMPIONSHIPS.

## TILDEN PLAYING WELL

Paris, May 24.  
Further surprises were forthcoming in the French Hardcourt Tennis championships to-day, the most notable being the defeat of Miss Eileen Bennett and Mrs. Watson, well-known British players, in the semi-final of the Women's Doubles.

Miss Bennett and Mrs. Watson were the holders of the championship but they lost to-day by two sets to one, succumbing to the brilliance of Mademoiselle Bouman (Holland) and Senorita De Alvarez (Spain), who won 6-3, 2-6, 6-3. The winners, who qualified to meet Miss Heine and Miss Neave (South Africa) in the final, also conquered Miss Helen Wills and Miss Cross, the American favourites.

In the quarter-finals of the Men's Doubles to-day, W. T. Tilden and F. T. Hunter (U.S.A.), defeated Baron Von Kehring (Hungary) and Kleinschroth (Germany) by 3-6, 6-3, 6-1, 6-4, and will meet the French champions, Borotra and Lacoste in the semi-final.

Tilden gave a most impressive display in his opening singles match. He played with merciless accuracy against Wetzal (Germany) and won in straight sets with a concession of only three games, 6-1, 6-1, 6-1.—*Reuter*.

CRICKET BRIDE  
BESIEGED.SCENES AT HAMMOND'S  
WEDDING.

Bradford, Apr. 24.  
They will talk in Yorkshire about the wedding of Walter Reginald Hammond, of Gloucestershire and England, to Miss Dorothy Lister, of Bingley by Bradford, so long as cricket is played. Never has there been a wedding quite like this for popular enthusiasm.

Indeed, at one time it seemed likely that Hammond and his wife would not get safely away from Bingley parish church. The crowd engulfed them and their motor-car. Girls climbed on the foot-boards, tapped at the windows, cried congratulations to the bride, and blew kisses to Hammond.

A squad of police had to fight a path for them from the church, and from Bingley to Bradford, where the wedding reception was held, there was a six-mile lane of people cheering the bride and bridegroom.

## "Worse Than Barracking."

Hammond laughed back as the people stormed his car, and his wife waved her hand in greeting, but they both confessed afterwards that they were more than a little nervous at the outburst of popular enthusiasm. "It was worse than barracking in Australia," said Hammond, "although it was all so complimentary."

All the business of Bingley was stopped at the hour of the ceremony. The whole town mustered at the church.

Scores of county cricketers were in the church. Herbert Sutcliffe was the senior groomsman marshalling the guests, and well to the front were Mr. W. H. Rowlands, last year's captain of Gloucestershire, C. Mills, of Gloucestershire, A. Waddington, of Yorkshire, and Mr. C. Hawke, an Australian, who made the journey to England specially to see Hammond married. There was not room in the church pews for all the guests. They stood in the aisles and round the doors.

Miss Lister wore a gown of old ivory satin Windsor embroidered in pearls with full court train of silver lace and a Juliet cap of seed pearls of pale pink.

The Bishop of Bradford performed the ceremony, assisted by the Vicar of Bingley.

## Lucky Black Cat.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammond held a reception afterwards at the Masonic Hall, Bradford, and welcomed their friends on a miniature cricket pitch with a lucky black cat sitting behind the wicket. A model of the urn containing "the Ashes" surmounted the eighty-pound wedding cake.

The presents included a silver cigar-box signed with the names of all Mr. Chapman's Test match team, a silver cigarette box from the professionals of Gloucestershire, and a tea service from Australian admirers.

The bride gave her husband a gold watch, and his present to her was a motor-car, in which they drove away on a honeymoon, which will finish up in Paris.

A COMMUNIST ISLAND.  
EQUALITY AND FRATERNITY  
AT RUNOE.

Stockholm, Apr. 17.  
The ancient Swedish community on the little island of Runoe, in the Bay of Riga, which has lately attracted much interest in Sweden owing to a recent Swedish relief expedition, is based on principles of practical communism, practised during more than a thousand years. Even to-day these islanders, who are believed to have settled here about the dawn of the Christian era, and are recorded in a document as early as 1341, observe their old doctrines as regards property.

The little island, which politically belongs to Estonia, is only four kilometres long and three wide, and its population numbers only about 300, who live on twenty-seven farms. Fishing and seal-hunting are the real sources of income. Absolute equality rules the community, and no servants exist. Private property does not exist except for clothing, arms, and similar personal belongings, and nobody can sell his farm, since he is only allowed to live on it, to cultivate his land, and to use his horses.

Every farm has about fifty narrow strips of soil and spread all over the island, according to old tribal custom. The forest and pastures are common property.

## SONG-WRITER.



Mr. W. Albert Mallinson, the well-known English song-writer, who is on a visit to Hongkong as examiner for the Trinity College of Music, London.

When a farmer wants to build a house or to do something which requires additional workers he calls upon his neighbours, who work for no pay, but get their meals free. Sums of money, received for sales of seal flesh and for assistance rendered to stranded vessels, are distributed equally among the islanders, even to the children, women, and invalids. If a Runoe fisherman can sell his seals at a higher price than his compatriots his extra profit is pooled in the same way.

The communist rule is recorded in a series of written laws and by oral tradition. The highest officials are the president ("laenman"), a secretary, and a judge, elected by general vote, including the women, and for a fixed period. These officials receive no salaries. In case of important questions a Parliament ("Landskap") is called together in an open meeting place, usually during summer. Crimes are unheard of.

## ELEANOR BOARDMAN.

STAR OF "THE CROWD" IN  
NEW FILM.

Grim shadows of the underworld—the toiling labourers of the African mines—inspired society with its hidden scandals—these are some of the elements that flash in kaleidoscopic review through the sequences of "Diamond Handcuffs," Cosmopolitan's vivid underworld drama which will be shown on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Queen's Theatre. It is three plays in one: a drama of Africa, of society, and of gangster life. The connecting link is a great diamond, which, found in the mines, is stolen for a woman's love, and from then on spreads its sinister web in all walks of life. Intrigue, theft, love, deceit, all circle around the glittering stone in a type of story startlingly new to the screen. There are many stirring scenes of dramatic power depicting the loves, hates and jealousies of gangsters, as well as other sequences portraying society life and life in a diamond mine in Africa. Eleanor Boardman is the leading player and is supported by Conrad Nagel and Lawrence Gray.

MR. MORRIS SUES  
PRISON GOVERNOR.STORY OF REJECTED SPY  
SUGGESTION.

## PERSECUTION CHARGE.

London, May 1.  
An action was brought against two prison governors in the King's Bench Division, yesterday, by Mr. Hayley Eustace Morris, of Pippingford Park, Nutley, Sussex. Mr. Morris claimed damages for wrongful imprisonment from Captain Eugene Winter, Governor of Portsmouth Prison; and Major Augustus Charles Herbert Benke, Governor of Pentonville.

Mr. Morris alleged that he had been detained in prison for a day longer than was lawful. Mr. Morris's counsel, said no personal complaint was made against Major Benke. He had been made a defendant simply because he was responsible for the physical detention of Mr. Morris. The detention according to Mr. Hayley Morris's case, was to the malicious act of Captain Winter.

## Name, Not Number.

Mr. Carr said that while the prisoners were taking exercise in the yard at Portsmouth a warden named Sanders called out to Morris, addressing him by name instead of by number.

Morris resented this, and replied: "What do you mean by calling me by name? Don't be silly," or words to that effect.

He was taken before the governor, Mr. Carr continued, and deprived of five marks. Mr. Morris asked that he might be allowed to appeal to the Visiting Committee of Justices, and the governor agreed; but before the Visiting Committee came round, said Mr. Carr, Mr. Morris was subjected to rigorous treatment, as the result of which his state of health was affected.

## Malice Alleged.

Remarking that he had come to a very serious part of the case, Mr. Carr said: "I have to say on instructions that Mr. Winter, while the plaintiff was under his care, showed that he was treating him not as fairly as any other prisoner, but was actuated by some kind of malicious feeling towards him."

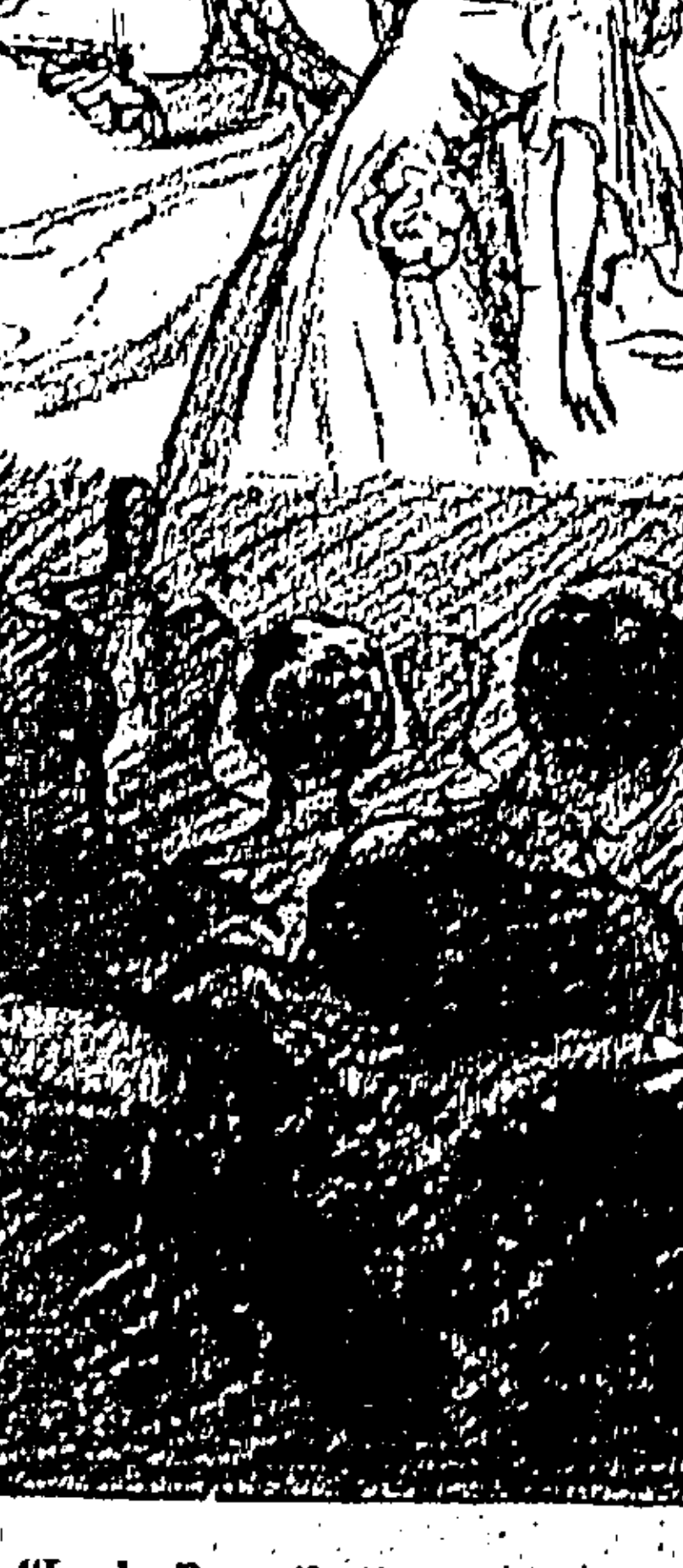
Mr. Morris, said Mr. Carr, declared that he had been subjected to "systematic persecution" because he rejected a suggestion by the governor that he should communicate anything of importance which he learned from other prisoners.

Mr. Morris said that when he became ill and told the governor that he thought he could take a little milk or beef tea, Captain Winter replied, "I will have you forcibly fed. They feed men through the nose, and it is very painful." They give them milk or something.

He complained to the prison doctor that he had been threatened with forcible feeding. The doctor saved him from "that barbarity," and ordered that he be given milk and beef tea.

The hearing was adjourned.

One hundred and thirty pounds was realised for a New South Wales 1885 8d. orange stamp, and a 2d. blue 1866, of Queensland brought £36, at Harpers recently.



"Look, Don, that's the kind of dress I had in mind."

BERNARD SHAW TILTS  
AT THE WORLD.A BOOK ONLY ONE MAN  
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The fifteen shillings volume, "The Intelligent Woman's Guide to Socialism and Capitalism," by Mr. Bernard Shaw, has been republished by Messrs. Constable at 5s., and in a new preface the author cheerfully tells the world that nobody in it has understood the book—except Albert Einstein.

Mr. Shaw fumes in happy exasperation against "those who have really read the book, or think they have."

"I begin to think lucidity is self-defeating," he writes. "I took the utmost pains to make it intelligible, clear, lucid, unambiguous, simple and unmistakable. I have, at great cost of labour, eliminated from this book all the common adulterations of doctrine by mush, gush, nonsense, hypocrisy and humbug—only, it seems, to make it unfit for human consumption."

## Home Adulterations.

"People cannot take it in until they have reintroduced all the adulterations from their home supplies. Then they expatiate, at my expense, on their own adulterations."

Mr. Shaw picks out "my friend Sir William Joynson-Hicks" as a typical example, since Sir William, "under the illusion that he had read the book... proceeded to quote from it a string of propositions not one of which it contained, and most of which it disproved."

"And Sir William was presently quoted, without acknowledgment, but with vigorous intensifications," continues Mr. Shaw, "by the minor lights of his party, and particularly by his lady election canvassers, the present prospect being a General Election, at which the country will be invited to vote for the Conservative party, to save it from the horrors of a Shawian Socialism, which was bred in Sir William's fancy, and not in my book."

"But far be it from me to confuse and contradict him. My aims and proposals go so much further than any of my hostile critics are yet capable of conceiving that I am only too thankful to be mistaken for a more harmless Utopian, instead of being hanged without benefit of clergy."

## Truth As Joke.

"When the spirit drives me to tell the truth... I screw my courage up by reflecting on the extreme improbability of anybody seeing anything in my treatise but a paradoxical joke."

"Well, I take refuge in the intelligent women. As for the front bench male politicians, I can point out the moon in the heavens to them; but I cannot persuade them that it is anything more than a piece of green cheese."

Mr. Shaw reveals that the first edition of the "Intelligent Woman's Guide" is already endeared to collectors by several errors, one of which was a mistake in the number of one of the Articles of the Church of England.

"It passed entirely undetected in this country, but was detected and very kindly pointed out to me by a well-known French atheist," he adds.

Princess Mary, the largest motor life-boat in the world, which will be stationed at Padstow, Cornwall, has cabin accommodation for 60 and in a calm sea could take 300 people on deck.

## The Very Idea!

When Mr. George Bernard Shaw was asked by Mr. Thomas Ogilvy, a Gladstonian Liberal in Dundee, if he would allow his name to be put forward as an "Independent candidate" for the City of Dundee, he replied:—

"Dear Sir,—I thank you, but it is thirty-five years too late for me to begin a Parliamentary career."

"Besides, as a professed Socialist of forty-five years' standing, and one of the founders and present members of the Labour Party, I can hardly take the field as an 'independent,' can I?"

"I should probably forfeit my deposit. However, I appreciate the implied compliment."

"Six candidates are expected to contest the two seats at Dundee at the General Election—one Unionist, one Liberal, one Labour, one Prohibitionist, one Nationalist (Scottish), and one Communist."

A woman at Stratford, E. (applying for a summons for insulting language): It was real Barking, with a touch of Irish.

Letter from a motorist summoned at Wood Green, N.: As a Scotsman I regret that to plead guilty ensures being fined. But as I shall be making an enforced donation to the public funds of Wood Green I am endeavouring to bear my misfortune with philosophic calm.

Mr. W. B. Luke, the Willesden magistrate (to a wife): In 50 years you may be writing a beautiful epitaph for your husband's tombstone.

Marylebone County Court Registrar (Mr. T. M. V. Vaughan-Roderick) to a mannequin: "A quarter of an hour seems rather a long time to take your hat off. It doesn't take me that."

"Champagne every day keeps influenza away, is the latest slogan among doctors."

The old sea-rovers made things hum.

With their "Yo, ho, ho, and a bottle of rum,"

And the genial squire of the gouty sort

Sang "Yo, ho, ho, and a bottle of port,"

While the British farmer's cry of cheer

Was "Yo, ho, ho, and a tankard of beer!"

Then came the day when we banded wit

With a "Yo, ho, ho, and a 'Gin- and It."

But now that we live in an age of 'flu

The thing for a medical man to do

Is simply to join those patients of his

In a "Yo, ho, ho, and a bottle of fizz."

Mr. E. W. B. Gill, a Fellow of Morion College, in a speech at Oxford said:

"You have all read a lot about Oxford University never winning a sporting event against Cambridge."

"I will not endeavour to answer it, but just after the War the entrance examination to Oxford was made about twice as hard as the entrance examination to Cambridge."

"Since then Oxford had won practically nothing."

That he did not shave enough and that in asking for prayers for the King he said "King George-V" instead of King George the Fifth," thus causing unpleasant feelings.

These are among "the reasons supposed to call for my resignation," says the Rev. E. T. Bradley, curate of Kenilworth Parish Church, in a public pronouncement coincident with his giving up the curacy.

Mr. Bradley declares that he was also told that his teaching avowed of Anglo-Catholicism, and that he did not take a sufficiently active interest in foreign missions.

Further, he understood that the churchwardens had made representations to the vicar that he ought to have a young man who would be willing to cycle to the mission church instead of taking a cab, the expense of which appeared in the accounts.

The A. B. was worrying. "Tell me about it," said his pal. "Get it off your chest."

"I wish I could," groaned the other. "I've got 'Marguerite' tattooed there, and the girl I'm engaged to marry is named Helen."

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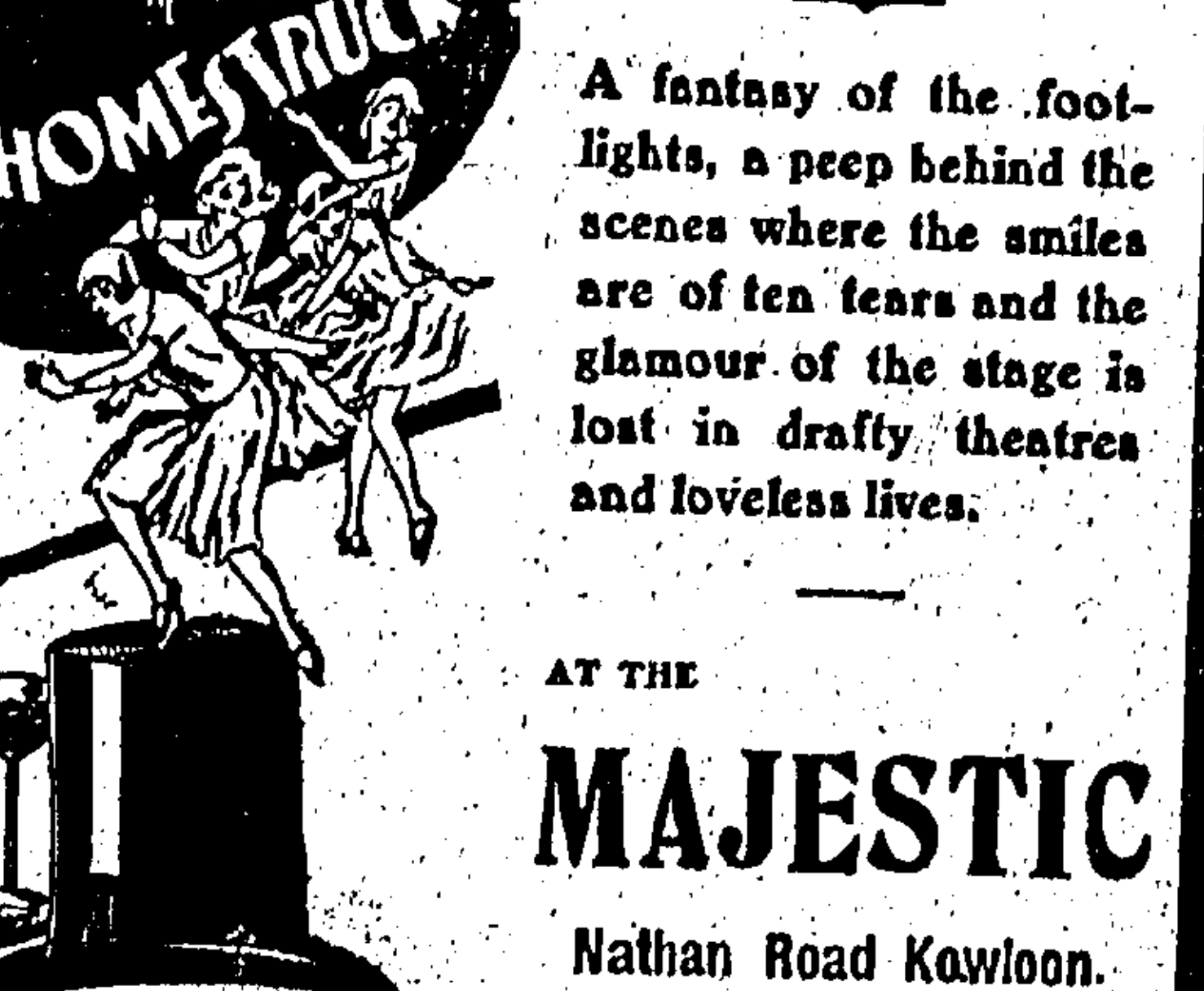
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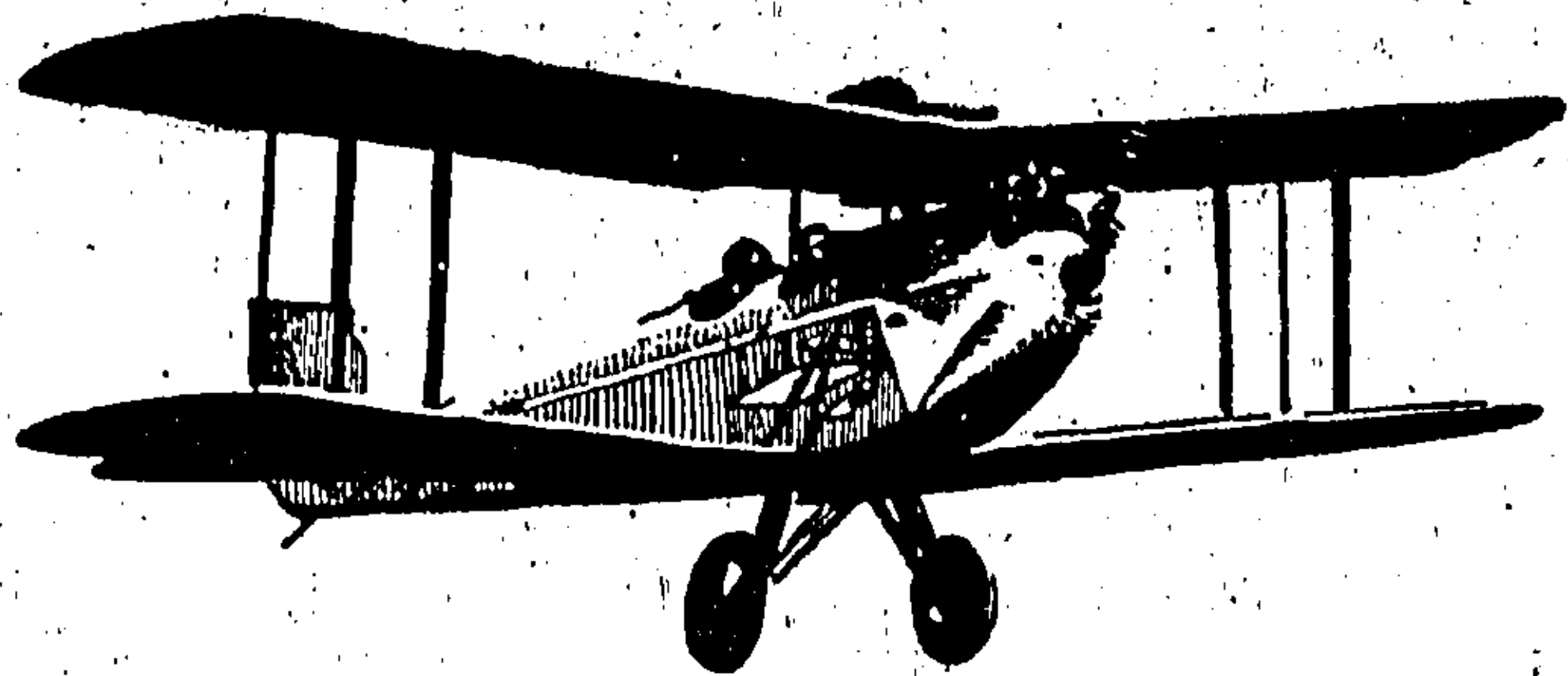
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### PAYING "SPEEJEE."

AFRICAN NATIVE'S EXAMPLE  
TO PEOPLE AT HOME.

The report for 1928 of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts mentions an instance of how much needed help can be given the Society by citing the example of the parish of Oxhey, near Watford, which has undertaken to support the lumber camps mission for a period of years.

The Report is full of excellent stories. From Tobago comes perhaps the best. "I was Celebrating, when I suddenly became aware that someone was behind me. My big black churchwarden had come up in his bare feet. He bent down and whispered quite loudly, 'Parson, you forgot your regalia!' Then I noticed that I had forgotten my stole."

The ringing of the church bell Matins in one back part of Australia was so alarming and unusual an occurrence that the local fire brigade turned out. Then there is the old Canadian woman who, at the sight of the clergyman, defended herself with a broom and had to be told what a Church of England clergyman was, as she felt sure that he was a tramp.

But the chief need of the Society is for people at home to emulate the old African native who talked about paying his "Speejee," which proved, on inquiry, to be his monthly payment as a return present to a mysterious and far-away benevolent deity called the S.P.G. The Society will welcome donations, however small, and it is in urgent need of workers who will go out to assist their vast work on nearly every continent.

### LOCAL HOCKEY.

The following hockey team will meet H.M.S. Sirdar on the Marina ground at 5.30 p.m. on Monday.—W. Borrowman, G. A. L. Plummer, L. F. Nicholson, A. N. Other, L. A. R. Duncan, E. R. West, A. R. Botelho, W. A. Nowers, G. Waters, G. E. R. Divett and E. C. Fincher. Referee: A. A. Dand. The team will play in white shirts.

In a message received in London in connexion with the anniversary of Byron's death, M. Venizelos, the Prime Minister of Greece, says: "The name of the poet is coupled for ever with Greece and Greece's history, and its place in the Pantheon of our gratitude is a deeply marked one."

While on a week-end visit to Hayling Island, Mrs. Bessie Good-hew, of Windsor, was cooking on a spirit stove when it exploded and set fire to her clothes. She was so badly burnt that she died a few hours later.

### WIFE ENTITLED TO BE TOLD.

HUSBAND'S ALLEGED SECRET.

London, Apr. 25.  
A defence that a wife was entitled to be told about her husband's alleged mode of life while he was away from her was made in a libel action which failed yesterday in the King's Bench Division.

Mr. William Wallace Watt, an oil expert, claimed damages for alleged libel from Mr. Robert Cyril Longdon, of Norman Court, Salisbury, Wiltshire.

Mr. Watt complained that while he was in Casa Blanca, and Morocco, libellous statements concerning himself, which were contained in a letter written by Mr. E. A. Browne, an official of his company in Casa Blanca, to Mr. Longdon, were communicated by Mr. Longdon to Mr. Watt's wife and to other persons.

It was suggested in Mr. Browne's letter that Mr. Watt had committed misconduct with a domestic servant while living at Casa Blanca.

Mr. Longdon pleaded that he published the alleged libel on privileged occasions, honestly believing it to be true.

Mr. T. J. O'Connor, K.C., for Mr. Watt, said that Mr. Watt returned home in April 1928, and he was then shown by his wife, Mrs. Browne's letter, which had been sent by Mr. Longdon, not only to Mrs. Watt, but to Mr. Washington Singer, the chairman of the company, and to a firm of solicitors.

### "Not A Word True."

"Not a word of that letter is true," declared Mr. O'Connor, "and Mr. Longdon now admits that it is not true, but he says that there was a duty on him owing to his friendship for Mrs. Watt to disclose these facts to her."

No evidence was called for the defence.

Mr. Justice Horridge, without leaving the case to the jury, ruled that all the occasions of the publication of Mr. Browne's letter were privileged. He said regarding the publication to Mr. Singer that it was clear that all communications passing between Mr. Longdon and Mr. Browne and Mr. Longdon and Mr. Singer concerning the conduct of Mr. Watt were matters in which they were all interested by reason of their common business interests.

The question of the communication to the wife was perhaps more difficult.

"I think," he said, "the right view is that if there is obvious interests in the person to whom the communication is made, which causes him, or her to be a proper recipient of a statement, and if the statement is honestly made, then that statement is privileged."

Mr. Justice Horridge further ruled that there was no evidence of malice against Mr. Longdon. He entered judgment for Mr. Longdon, with costs.

### THE HAPPY WARRIOR.

A TEST FOR LETTER WRITERS.

London, Apr. 20.  
Mr. Baldwin was the guest of the London Press Club at luncheon yesterday, following his speech at Drury Lane.

Immediately after the loyal toast the Prime Minister, who was in merry mood, lighted his familiar pipe, whereupon one of the officers of the Club (Mr. Percy Rudd) rose and said: "All the pipe smokers in the room would like to take a whiff with Mr. Baldwin."

The Chairman (Mr. G. F. Allison) presided.

The Prime Minister, who was cordially received on rising to respond to the toast of his health, said he felt as he did when he went to dine at his old college—Trinity—that in no corner of London could there be more learning, knowledge and wisdom. (Laughter.) "It oppresses me," he continued, "for I am not one of the intelligentsia."

Last Christmas he received a card from the gun-room of a battleship. He wrote back, "I am more grateful for your card than I can say, because, like me, you do all the dirty work and get all the kicks." (Laughter.)

In a merry reference to politicians writing for the Press, he said he understood that money might be earned with comparative ease by contributing anything one overheard at the Club, and much as he disliked dinner parties, it might be worth while for a thousand a year to give an occasional dinner party.

The other day he read a little verse in a new volume of poems which, though not written apropos of an election, seemed to him peculiarly applicable to an election in which about two thousand candidates were seeking the suffrages of their fellow men and women.

Of all the cocks that greeted dawn to-day.

How many will be here a year from now?

How many preen their feathers on the heap,

How many strut the yard, how many crow?

"Very good," Mr. Baldwin continued. "I will offer a small prize. To anyone who will tell me within a week who wrote those lines—they are by a modern writer—I will give a tin of my own tobacco. (Laughter.)"

"While on the subject of prizes, and not wishing to curry favour merely with working journalists, I will offer another prize, open only to newspaper proprietors."

"The prize will be a volume of Wordsworth, and the subject will be 'The Happy Warrior' (Laughter.) Who wrote this? Is it a poem, or is it prose? Can you give any three consecutive words from that poem in their right (Continued on Next Column.)"

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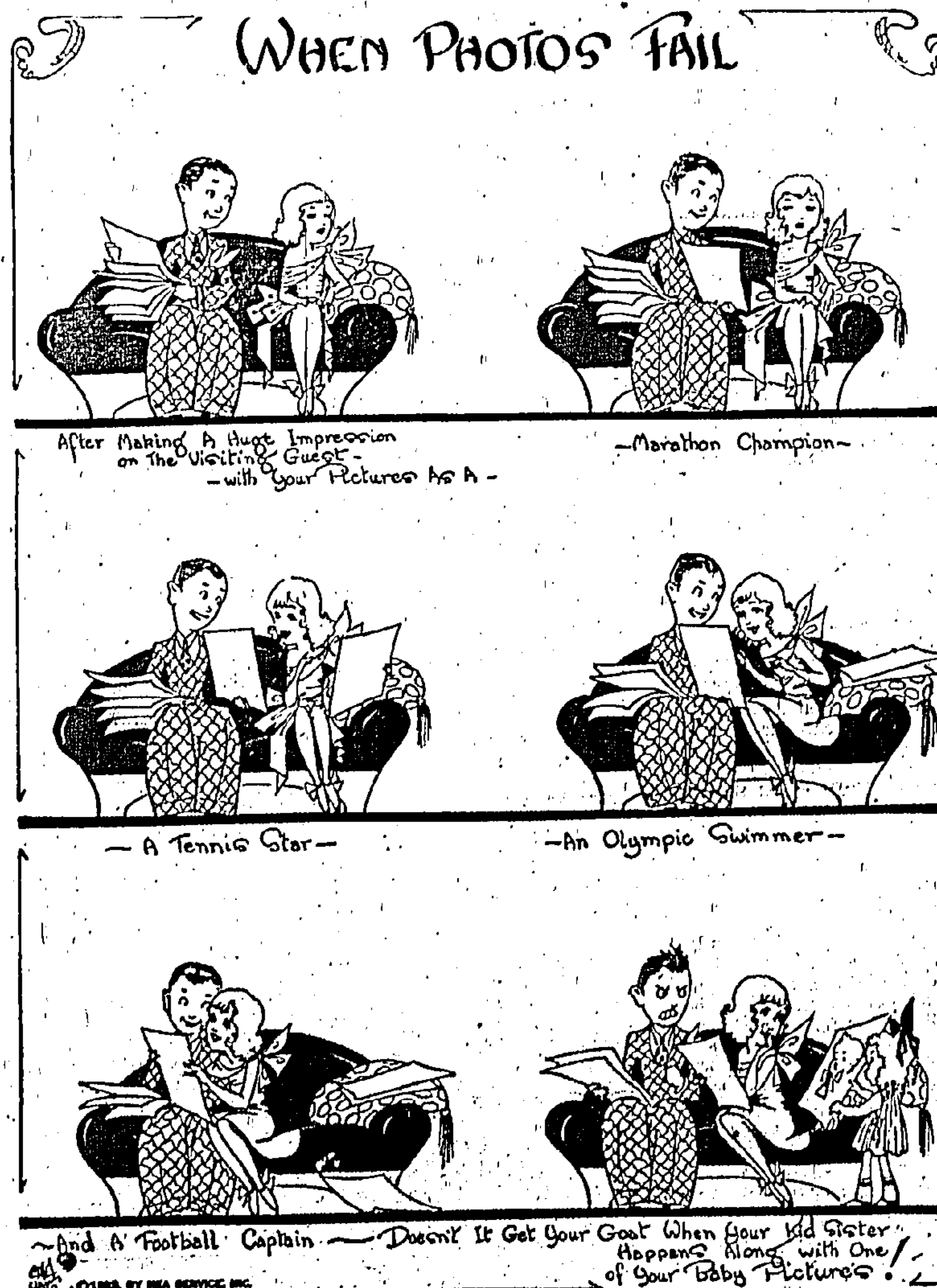
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Tale of Two Styles.

"Then I will offer a prize open to the whole profession. It will be for two letters on any subject you like, one to be written in the style of Charles Lamb, the other in the style of Lord Rothermere. (Laughter.) And I will ask Mr. Ian Colvin (of the 'Morning Post') to be the judge."

Being a voracious reader of the papers, Mr. Baldwin said, he had been much more interested in them in the last few days, because of the fiction appearing in them. "I read on Sunday that my wife was at Perpignan," he proceeded. "I got up at six o'clock on Monday, and found that she was on the way to Berlin. We were rung up all day, and asked if it was true. It struck me that someone might have asked that question before they put it in."

He did not mind a little fiction, but was a little hurt that some magnate of the Press did not ring him up. He would say, "Is that the Prime Minister?" and on receiving an affirmative reply, would say, "I am sorry you have been troubled." (Laughter.)

Continuing, Mr. Baldwin confessed that he was not particularly fond of publicity and did not care about being photographed. He supposed his portrait must be worth something, or people would not want to take it. "But I never get a bean," he concluded, amid laughter.



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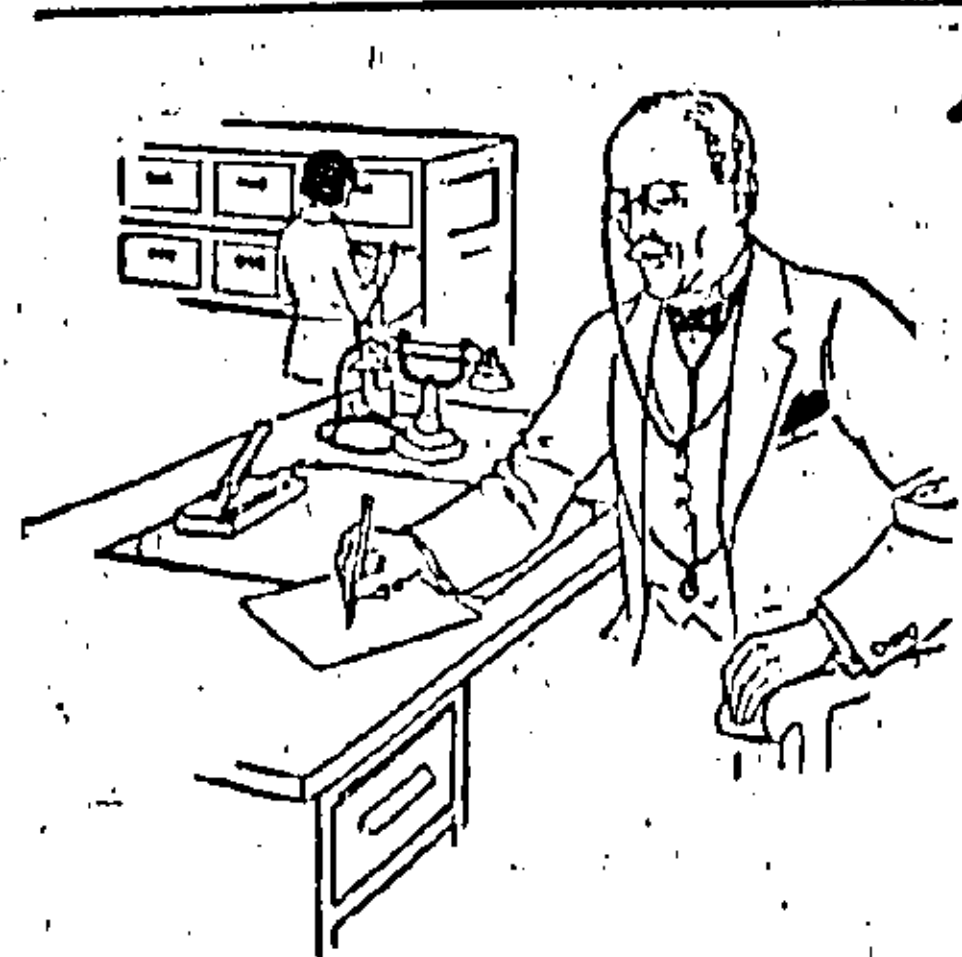
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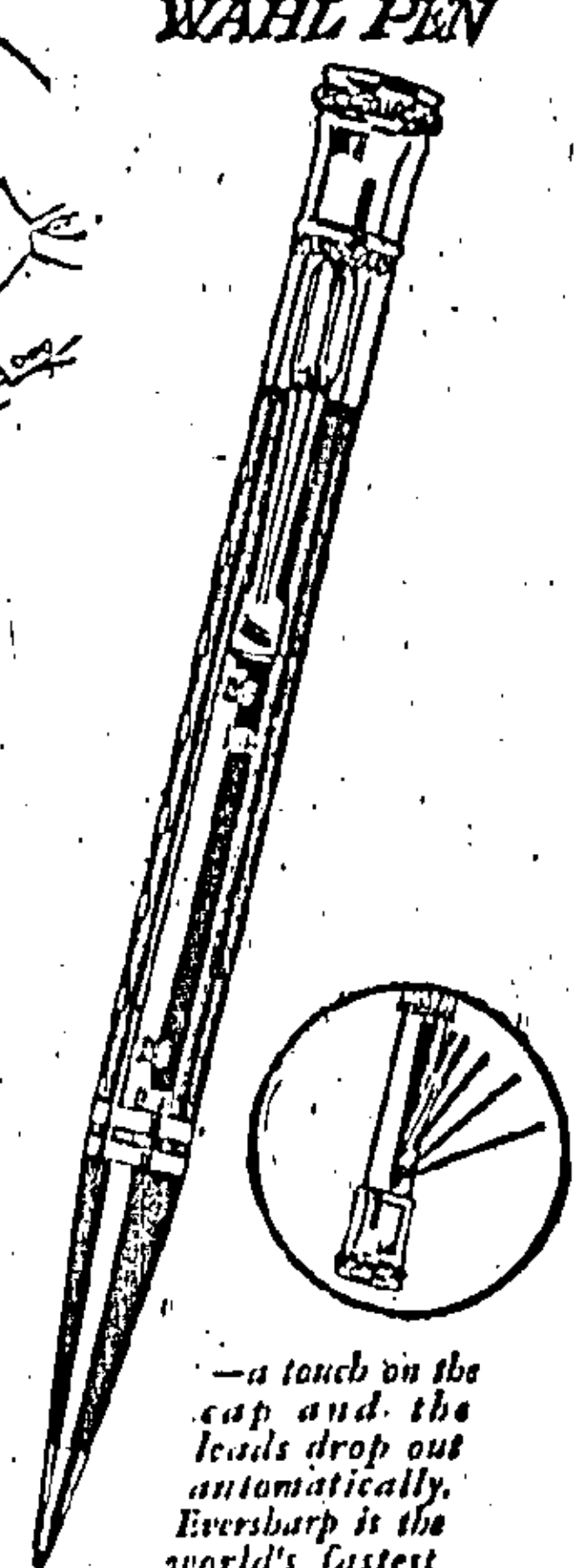
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MR. HAYLEY MORRIS  
IN THE BOX.ATTACK ON THE HOME  
SECRETARY.

London, Apr. 26. Mr. Hayley Eustace Morris, of Pippingford Park, Nutley, Sussex, went into the witness-box yesterday in the King's Bench Division, when Mr. Justice Horridge and a special jury continued the hearing of the action in which Mr. Morris is claiming damages for alleged libel against United Newspapers (1918), Limited, of Salisbury-square, E.C.

Mr. Morris complains that he was libelled in articles published in the defendants' newspapers, the *Daily Chronicle* and the *Sunday News*.

After Mr. Comyns Carr, K.C., for Mr. Morris, had concluded his opening speech yesterday, Mr. Morris was called to give evidence.

Replying to Mr. Comyns Carr, he said that it was quite correct that he and the woman who was known as Madeline Roberts were convicted at the Sussex Assizes at Lewes in 1925 for offences which had been mentioned.

Before his marriage to the woman, he understood that her name was Roberts. Later he learned that she was a daughter of Mrs. Stevens.

He bought the Pippingford Park property in 1922. He would describe it as a rough farm estate, about 962½ acres in extent. The mansion was derelict, and he lived at a cottage known as The Crows Nest.

## Met At Dance Hall.

Questioned about his marriage with Madeline Roberts, Mr. Morris said that he first met her at a dance hall at Hammermith. She went to live with him very shortly afterwards—the next day, he thought.

Mr. Carr—Is it true, as stated by Mrs. Stevens, that the prosecution was the reason for your marriage to her?

Mr. Hayley Morris—No, it was not, and I never said so to Mrs. Stevens or to anybody else.

He said that he obtained a divorce while he was still serving his sentence. The co-respondent was Detective Dudley Wood. "I met him about six weeks before I was arrested," added Mr. Morris. "He represented himself to be Sir Francis Dudley Wood."

Mr. Comyns Carr—We are told in one article that amazing orgies were staged at Pippingford Park?

—To my knowledge there have been no orgies staged at Pippingford Park.

Mr. Morris said that there were no bathing orgies at Pippingford Park. Everyone he saw bathing in the bathing pool there had a perfectly respectable bathing costume and behaved in a perfectly respectable manner.

Mr. Comyns Carr quoted a heading from one of the articles in question: "A Daughter's Betrayal."

"Did you betray Mrs. Stevens' daughter?" he asked.

Mr. Morris—I have never betrayed anybody in my life.

## Friendly Spankings.

"Friendly Spankings". Mr. Morris said that he had never whipped Madeline Roberts or struck her on the face. Some time before he was arrested she made an excuse to leave the Crows Nest and he followed her and found that she had met a man and had gone with him to an hotel.

When he saw her later he told her that he would have nothing more to do with her. She went down on her knees and begged his forgiveness and eventually he forgave her. She then said, "I am so sorry for what I have done, and if you will give me a spanking I will never do it again."

"I gave her a friendly spanking, which could not have hurt her," said Mr. Morris. He added that his spankings did not hurt the woman.

Mr. Justice Horridge—What did you spank her with?—I think I had the inside part of a foot tree in my room and I might have used that.

He denied that he had ever suggested that he intended to commit suicide or that he had invited anyone else to take their own life. He kept a loaded gun in his room only because of the risk of burglary.

Mr. Morris said that it was true that he had had relations with a number of girls whose Christian names were mentioned.

Replying to a suggestion concerning Grace Stevens, Mr. Morris said: "I used to pay blackmailing money to her mother, Mrs. Stevens. On one occasion I gave her £30, and on at least twenty occasions small sums through Madeline and Grace."

## Badly Let Down.

Questioned about the trial at the Assizes, Mr. Morris said: "I maintain that I was badly let down at the trial." He added that he did not go into the witness-box because he realised that he could not with honour do so and incriminate Madeline Roberts, because he had married her and she was expecting to become a mother.

"I asked leave to appeal," stated Mr. Morris, "I was refused. I now desire to appeal to the House of Lords. The Home Secretary,

DUKE SELLS ROMNEY  
"DUCHESS."UNEXPECTED SEQUEL TO  
GREAT ART CONTROVERSY.

London, Apr. 26. The Duke of Sutherland has sold his famous Romney portrait of the Duchess of Sutherland—one of the best known works of the artist—to Mr. Howard Young, the New York art dealer.

The purchase price is above £50,000.

This is a totally unexpected sequel to one of the most extraordinary of recent art controversies.

The purchaser, who is at present in London, is the man who sold to a Detroit millionaire what it is suggested is merely a copy of the Romney now disposed of by the duke.

"The price paid will not be disclosed," said the duke's private secretary last night, "but you can state that the offer was such that the duke did not feel justified in refusing it."

## Battle of Experts.

The alleged copy changed hands in America for something over £40,000.

The Duke of Sutherland, when he heard of it, declared the picture a copy, and pointed out that the original was hanging over a mantel at his home, Sutton Place, Guildford.

The story of the controversy, however, begins at an art sale in London just over a year ago.

The "copy" of the Romney Duchess was put up for sale, definitely, catalogued "Romney (after)." Mr. A. L. Nicholson, a London dealer, had a careful look at the picture, and decided that underneath the dirt and varnish was the actual work of Romney.

He instructed his agent, Mr. Bull, to bid for it, the curiosity of other dealers was not aroused, and the picture went for 325 guineas.

After having the picture cleaned, Mr. Nicholson was thoroughly convinced that the picture was genuine.

Some time after it was seen hanging in one of Mr. Nicholson's rooms by Mr. Howard Young, who promptly bought it. Mr. Young was as sure as Mr. Nicholson that the picture was an original, and he wrote out a cheque at once.

It then went to New York, and in turn was sold to Mr. Lawrence Fisher, a Detroit millionaire, for over £40,000.

A photograph of the portrait appeared in the American newspapers. When the Duke of Sutherland saw the papers he denounced it as a copy, and the battle of the experts began.

On one hand was Mr. Nicholson, a man of recognised integrity and a fine connoisseur of pictures by old masters.

In a letter to *The Daily Chronicle* on the subject of the declared copy Mr. Nicholson said:—"It is in every way an entirely authentic and beautifully preserved original portrait, painted by Romney in one of his most inspired moments."

On the other hand were experts who had always recognised the Duke of Sutherland's portrait as the original and only Romney painting of the duchess. These included Mr. Duveen, of the famous firm of art experts.

Before the battle could get into full swing, however, Mr. Young had gone to Detroit to get the copy again, and Mr. Nicholson himself immediately offered to repurchase the picture from Mr. Young.

It is now on its way to Mr. Nicholson, and he is still convinced it is an original Romney.

His explanation is that there were two pictures of the duchess painted by the artist.

According to the New York *Sun*, says Reuter, Mr. Howard Young told the London correspondent of the paper: "I promised to sell Mr. Fisher a certain portrait by Romney, and I am going to keep my word."

however, dare not grant me leave to appeal to the House of Lords, because he knows that I would win my case."

He added that the whole case was a put up job on the part of the prosecution in order that they could get an example case on which to pass a Bill to increase the penalty in such cases.

"It is for that reason," said Mr. Morris, "that the Home Secretary will not let me appeal to the House of Lords. He has ulterior motives. He knows that I would win my case. I am waiting for a new Government in the hope that I shall obtain justice." (Laughter.)

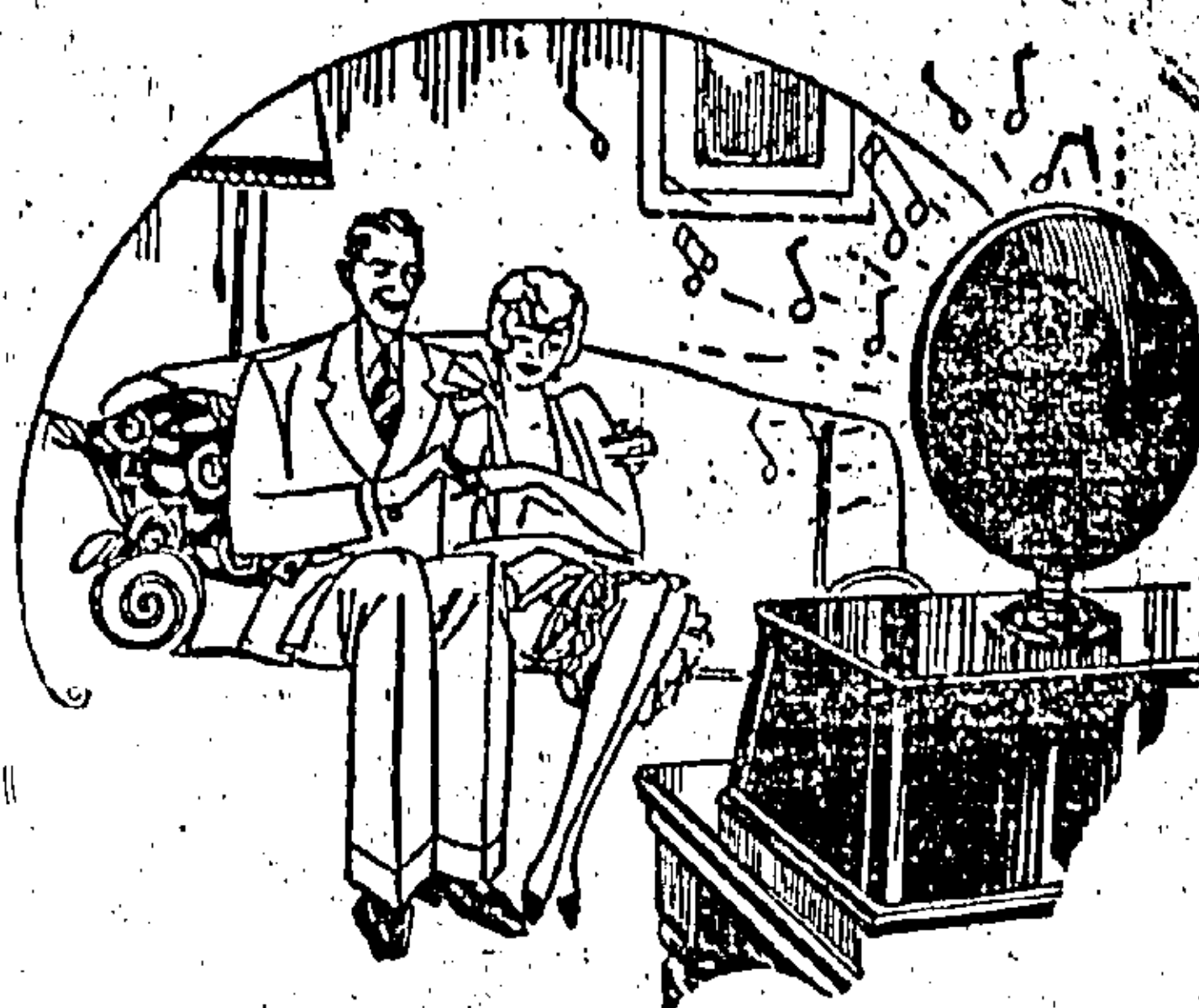
Mr. Flowers, K.C., (for the defence)—Do you say that the Home Secretary has ulterior motives?—You have heard me say that at the trial.

Are there any other people you would like to attack?—I ask the Judge's ruling. Is that a fair question?

Mr. Justice Horridge—Yes. Mr. Morris—Well, there are other people I would like to attack.

The hearing was adjourned.

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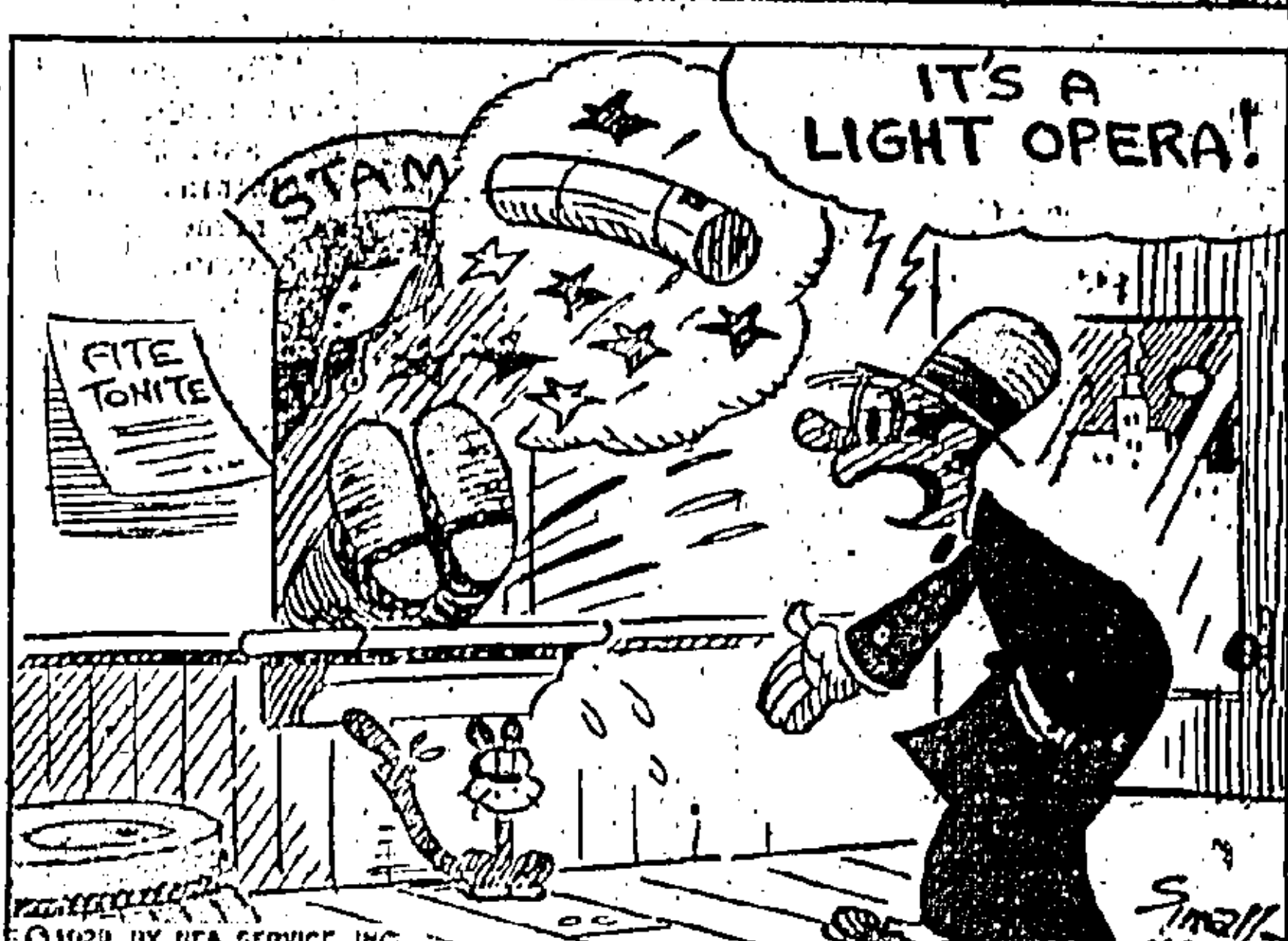
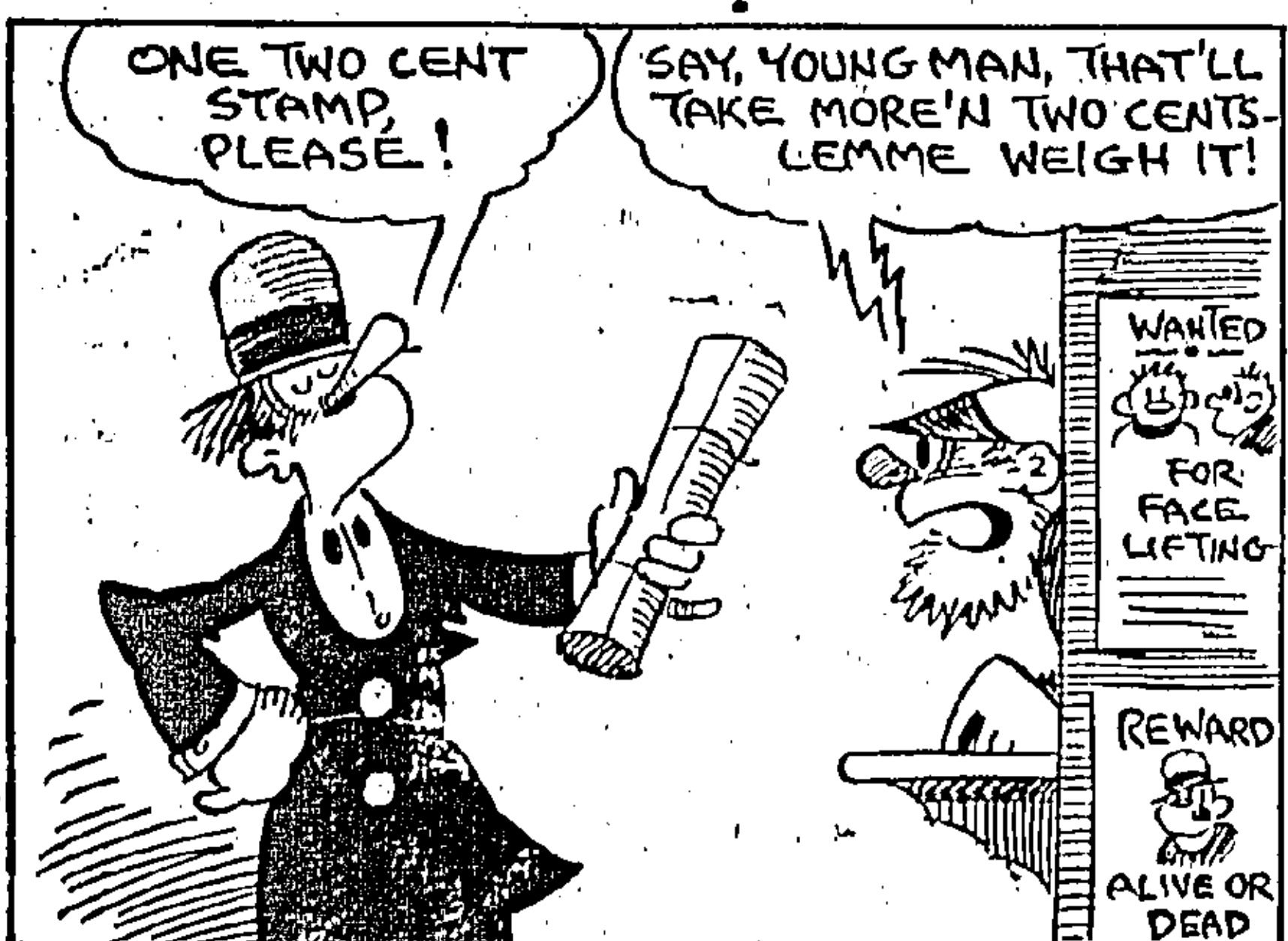
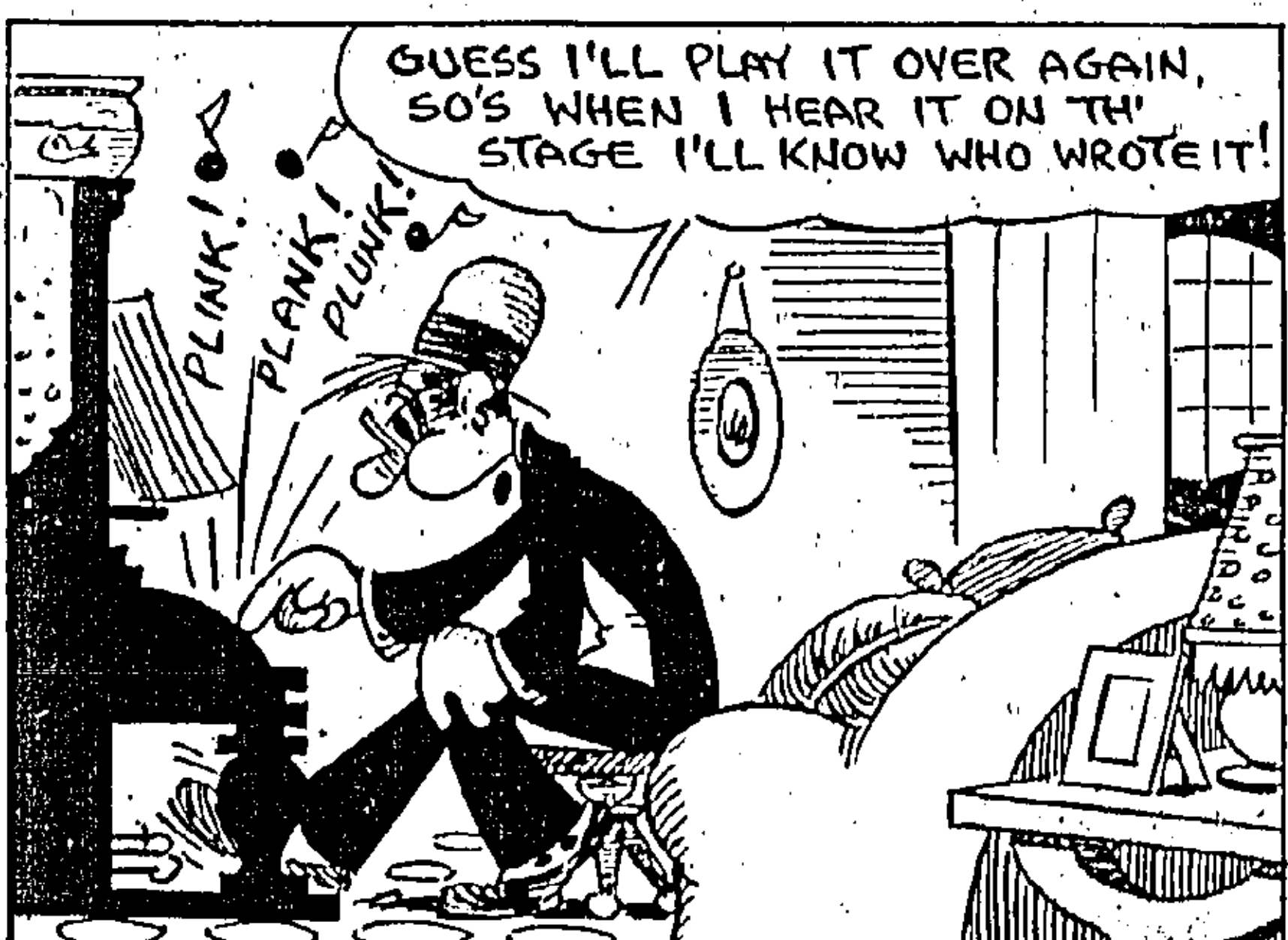
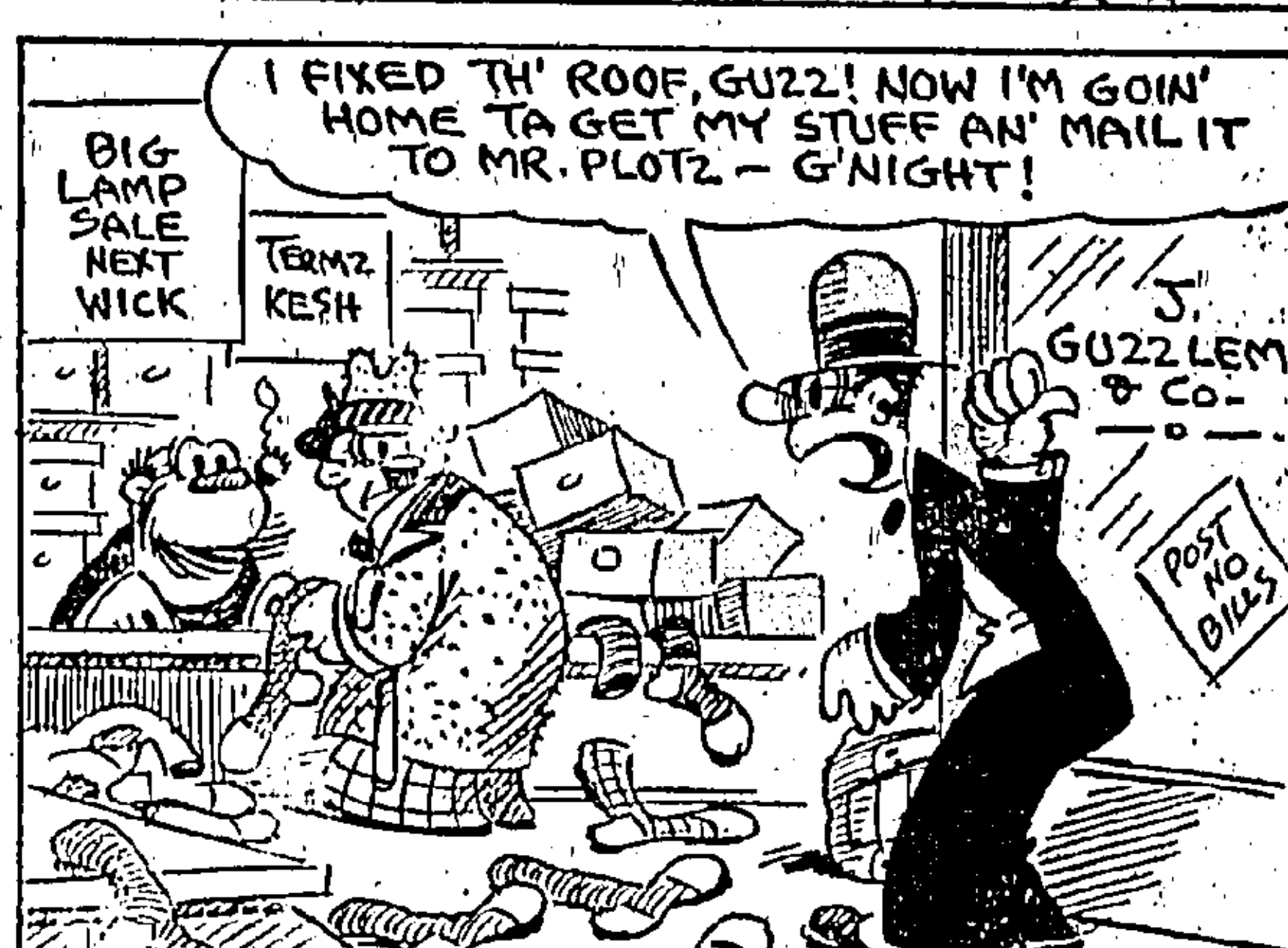
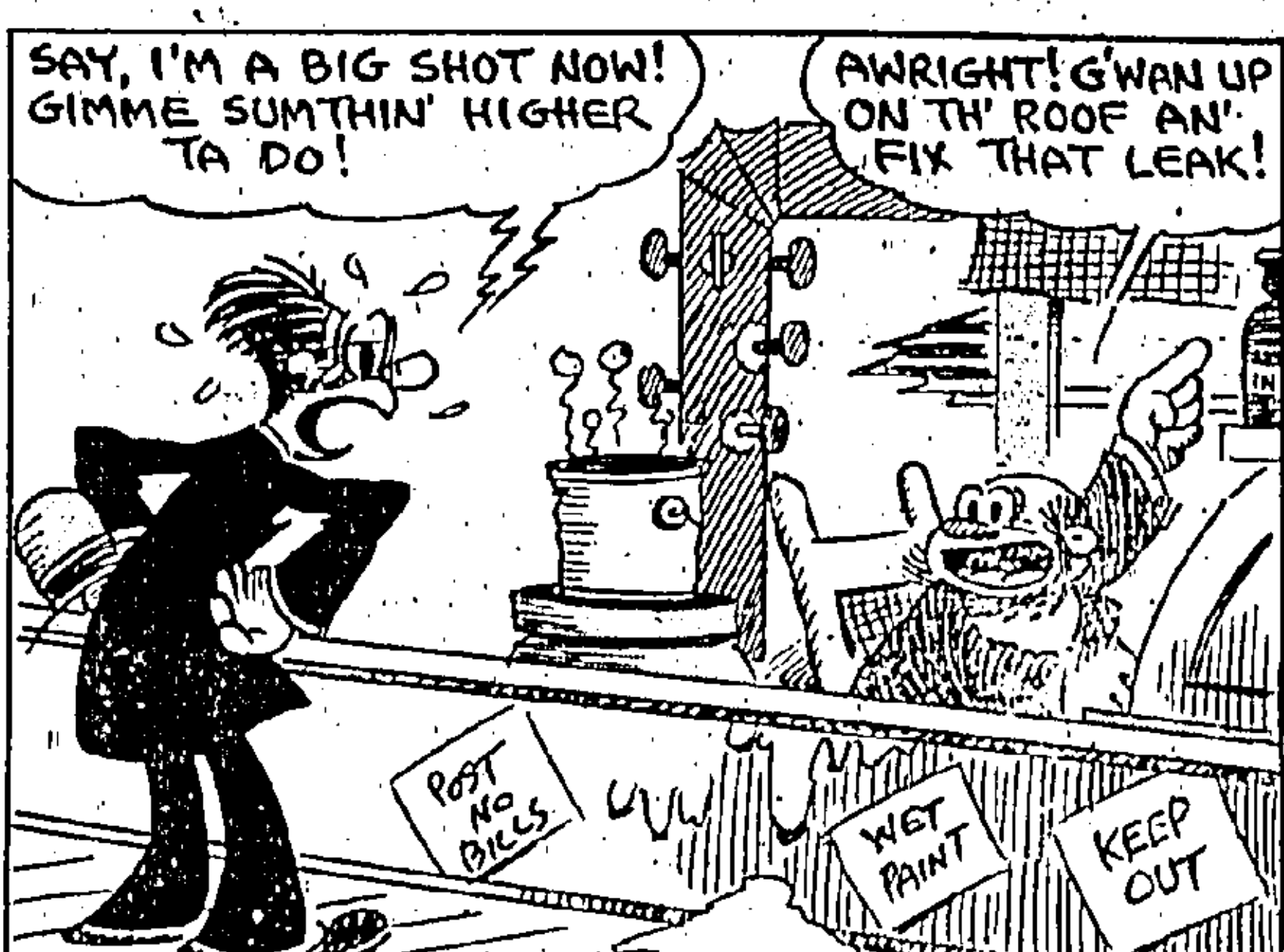
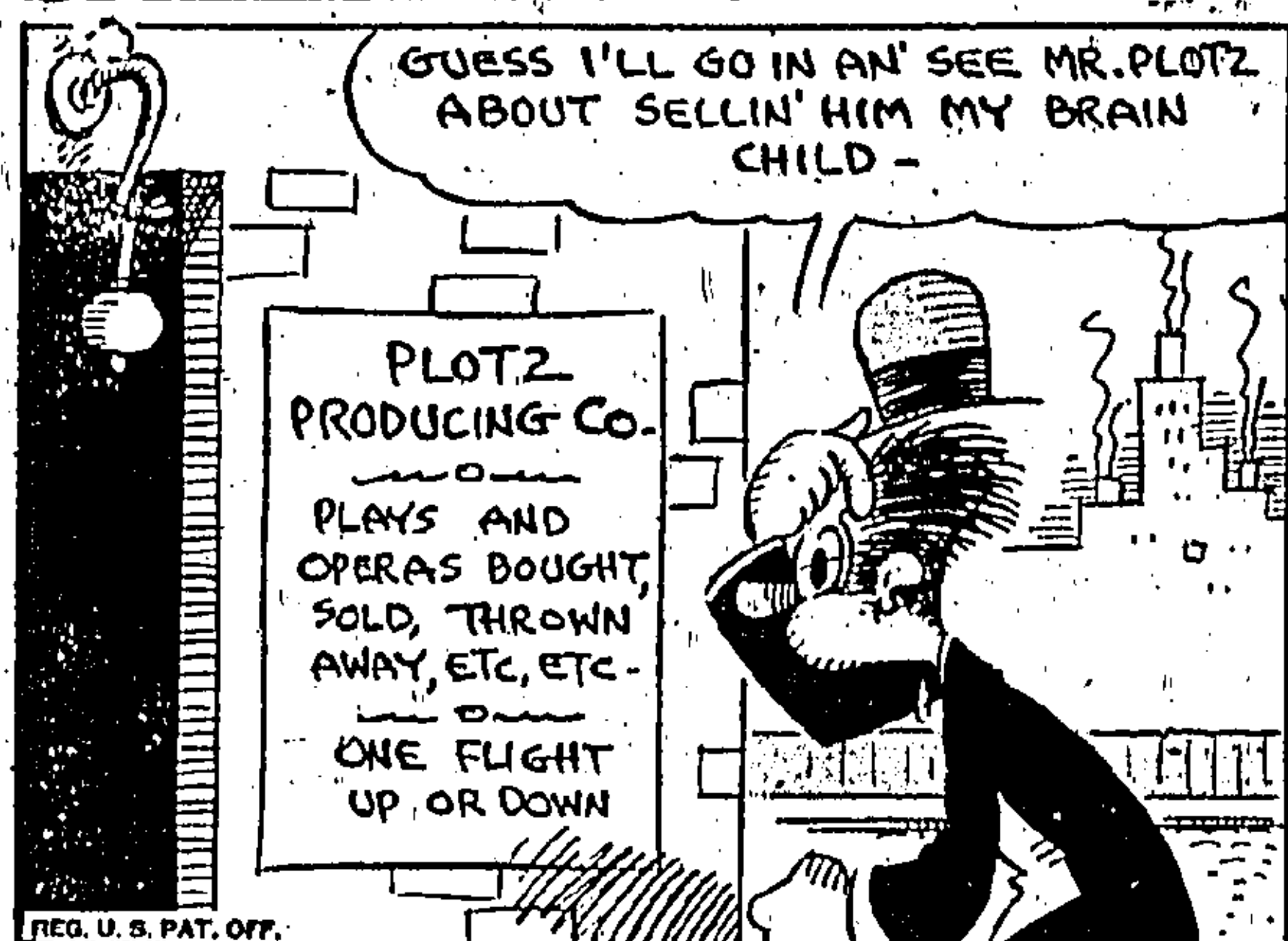
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# DETECTIVE THRILLER! THE BLACK PIGEON.

By Anne Austin.

## CHAPTER XLII

Ruth Lester was miserably ashamed later to remember that her first emotion upon hearing Benny Smith say he had shot Borden was one of relief. Jack Hayward was saved! But that emotion was almost instantly submerged in pity. And she was glad later to remember that she was conscious of no horrified shrinking as she ran to put her arms about the unsteadily swaying body who had just confessed to murder.

"Here! Let me help!" McMann gruffly commanded the girl, and with as much ease as if he were lifting a baby the giant detective lifted the boy in his arms and carried him to the big, overstuffed leather chair from which the murdered man had manipulated his ruinous schemes and which for two days had served the detective in charge of the investigation into his murder as a vantage point from which to heckle, harass, bully and confound suspects.

When the boy was lying back weakly in the big chair, McMann whirled one of the straight-backed visitors' chairs to the desk and commanded Ruth Lester's services as a stenographer, to take down the confession. Her eyes were now so blinded with tears that she could hardly find her notebook and pencils—pencils upon which Benny himself had put such a fine brave edge just last Saturday!

"Ready, Miss Lester? ... All right, Benny. Tell us all about it now," the detective commanded, almost gently. A glass of cold water from the tap in the outer office had been fetched by the detective himself and stood beside Benny's right hand.

"Well, sir," Benny began, after a strange, wistful look at Ruth Lester, who waited with poised pencil, "I lied yesterday when I said I didn't come back. I did come back, but nobody didn't see me, 'cause I walked up."

"Why did you walk up, Benny?" McMann interrupted.

"'Cause I was sorry at Mr. Borden, 'n' I wanted to have it out with him," Benny answered, his adolescent voice going suddenly soprano on the last word.

"What were you sore about?" "Cause he—he bawled me out!" Benny cried, rolling his head from side to side against the brown leather back of the chair.

"Isn't it true that you were more sore at him because he'd 'got fresh' with Miss Lester Saturday morning?" the detective suggested.

"You keep Ruth's name out of this!" Benny protested shrilly. "I tell you—I was sore at Mr. Borden 'cause he was always pickin' on me, 'n' Saturday he talked to me like a dog, jist 'cause I wanted to borrow Ruth's pistol for target practice."

"Then you were also lying when you said the pistol was not in Miss Lester's desk when you returned the first time—at half-past one?" McMann asked.

"Naw—it wasn't there. 'N' say, I didn't come back up the second time to kill him."

"But you walked up six flights of stairs so you would not be seen entering the building," McMann pointed out grimly. "Listen, Benny, now that you're confessing, make a clean breast of everything. Your actions prove you premeditated murder."

"No, I didn't," Benny denied, his head rolling wildly against the chair back.

"Well—go on," McMann directed resignedly.

"I come back, like I said, and opened the door with my key," Benny began rapidly, and was again interrupted by McMann.

"At just what time?" "I—Benny looked pitifully confused. "I don't know—exactly. But two o'clock, I reckon—"

"Then—," McMann said parenthetically and triumphantly to Ruth, "my theory that Rita Dubois robbed the boy is correct." Then, remembering the mysterious telephone call that said he overheard when he had called Jack Hayward's number at 2:10 and was plugged in on a busy line, and Rita's corroborating story of Borden's line being busy from 2:05 to 2:15, the detective asked: "Have you any way of fixing the exact time of your second return, Benny?"

"The boy looked at the detective suspiciously, even fearfully, Ruth thought—though what could he fear now, after confessing? "Naw, I don't know, I tell you, but it was about two o'clock. 'At's all I know. I unlocked the door and come in, and Mr. Borden was settin' at his desk, 'n' I—I come right in here, 'n' we—we quarrelled—"

"What about?" the detective interrupted sharply.

"Aw—jist about him pickin' on me, 'n' everything! 'N' he picked up a"—his fevered eyes roved over the desk and lighted upon the glass ink well, empty now, since McMann had used its contents with which to take Martha Manning's fingerprints—"that there ink well and started to throw it at me, 'n' I grabbed Ruth's gun—"

"Wait! Just where was this gun?" McMann cut in.

"Layin' on the desk," Benny answered. "Right—right here!" and he laid his hand in the centre of the big green blotter. "The big stiff tried to beat me to it—'n' I thought he was goin' to shoot me—"

"After hitting you with the ink well?" McMann asked mildly.

"He—he put the ink well down," Benny amended desperately. "I—I pulled the trigger, 'thout knowin' what I was doin', 'n'—the gun went off—'n' 'at's all!" he concluded, seizing the glass for a long draught of the cold water.

"So—you shot Borden while he sat at his desk," McMann said slowly. "That right?"

"Yeah, 'at's right!" Benny retorted defiantly.

"Then how do you account for the fact that his body was found away over there under the airshaft window?" McMann demanded.

"I—I forgot that," Benny confessed. "But—any, don't you go and try to make me say I didn't kill him—'cause I did! I did it in self-defence," he added, obviously a little proud of his use of a legal phrase. "After I shot him, he got up and walked over there and fell down—'at's how I account for it!"

The detective extracted an official-looking, typed document from his pocket. As he unfolded it, Ruth caught a glimpse of the wordings of the printed letterhead: "Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Department of Police." McMann studied the detailed report in silence, then folded it slowly and returned it to his pocket.

"Now, Benny, you know it can't make any difference in the long run whether you shot Borden while he was seated at his desk, or while he was standing at that window. Come, now—just where was Borden when you shot him?"

"Settin' at his desk!" Benny repeated stubbornly, and began to cry, like a small boy, and not at all like the 17-year-old young man—about-town that he fancied himself to be.

"And Benny," McMann's voice was very gentle now—"how many times did you shoot Borden? How many bullets were fired?"

"Just one! I—I sorta come to when I seen what I'd done, 'n' I dropped the gun 'n' beat it!"

"Just one bullet! Ruth repeated to herself. And two bullets had been fired on Saturday, one imbedding itself in Borden's chest, and the other scarring a brick beside Jack Hayward's office window!

"So you dropped the gun, eh, Benny?" McMann asked gently. "Odd we didn't find it."

"I—I picked it up ag—in 'n' stuck it in my overcoat pocket, 'n' then I beat it down the stairs," Benny corrected himself feverishly, shrilly. "I—gosh, I was scared! I—"

wrapped the gun in a newspaper what I—I found on the stairs—I mean in one of them big sacks in the hall, what the cleaning women use to dump wastebaskets in—'n' I—I chucked the gun in a—big trash can on the sidewalk—"

"Where?" McMann interrupted.

"I—I don't remember. Aw, gee, Mister, what does all them things matter now? Ain't I told you I done it?" the boy pleaded, wiping his eyes on the sleeve of his coat.

"Benny, after you'd—shot Borden, did you go round to Mr. Hayward's office for any reason whatever?" Ruth interrupted with a question of her own.

The boy stared at her, frankly puzzled. "Naw—why should I?"

"I thought so! Oh, Benny! Why are you doing all this? For my sake, Benny?" the girl cried, her voice shaking. Jumping up from her chair at the desk, she abandoned her notebook and pencil and ran to the boy. "I know you're just making it all up, Benny darling! Why, why?"

"He—he—at detective"—Benny sobbed—"told me yesterday I'd better come clean, or you—you'd be arrested for murder."

"Oh!" Ruth cried, her blue eyes blazing scorn at the embarrassed detective. Then, to the boy, soothingly: "Dear Benny, I told you yesterday I was in no danger—"

"But after he'd sent you for Minnie, he said you was, 'n' jist didn't know it, 'n' all last night 'n' this mornin' I studied how I could get you out of it, 'cause I'm jist a kid 'n' they wouldn't 'lectrocute me—"

The boy broke off, sobbing heart-brokenly.

The door opened. "Mrs. Smith's here, sir—"

But Benny's mother waited for no permission. A small woman, her sharp-feature face framed in frizzly waved light-brown hair, pushed past Detective Birdwell and ran to the sobbing boy.

"Benny Smith, if you wasn't sick, I'd spank you right here in front of these folks!" she scolded the boy sharply, but Ruth knew that the sharpness covered acute-maternal anxiety. "I mighta known you'd put some stunt like this, minute my back was turned!"

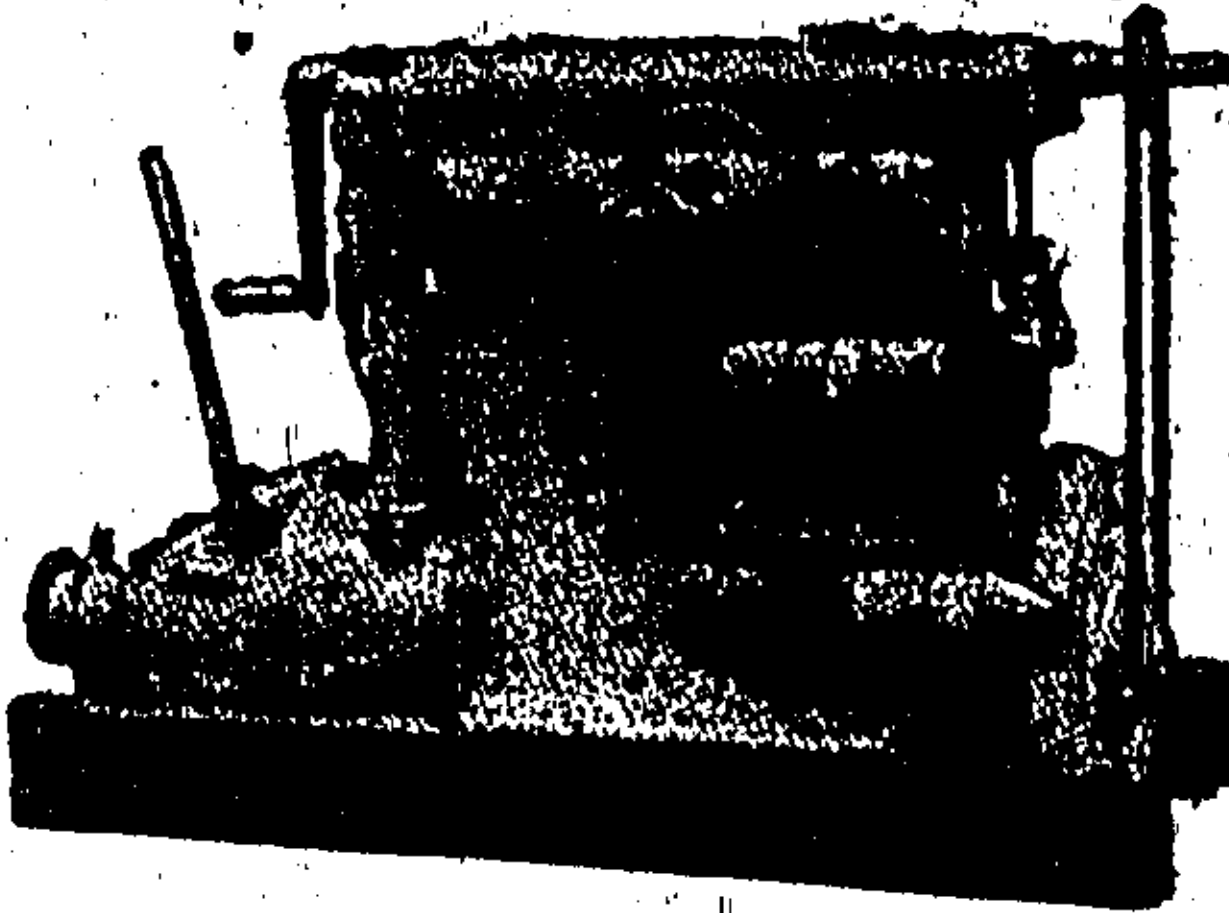
Then she whirled upon Detective Sergeant McMann. "Are you the detective, mister? ... Well, I

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Telling the story to a Press representative yesterday, Mme. Clara said: "Mr. Morgan, who was known as the 'gold king' through his large interests in gold mining, presented me with the baton after I returned from my Chicago triumph with the Royal Welsh Ladies Choir."

"That was in the days when it was thought very wrong of concert artists to appear on the music-hall stage, and in that respect I created a precedent."

"About a year later I was giving a concert at the Queen's Hall, and drove there in a hansom. When I got to my dressing room I found that my baton was missing. Whether I dropped it, or left it in the cab, I never found out."

"This morning Scotland Yard Lost Property Office rang me up and said that a mysterious parcel containing a gold baton which bore my name had been sent to them anonymously."

"It has since been handed to me, and I found that the label was addressed in an illiterate hand to 'Scotland Yard' Westminster."

hope you're satisfied! You and your third-degree have run my boy's fever up till it's something awful! I didn't get a wink of sleep last night listening to this poor child rave about keepin' Miss Lester out of jail! The doctor and my girl-friend, Mrs. Thompson, who helped me set up with him and hold him in bed, can tell you how he took on—ravin' in fever he was—about confessin' so this Lester girl wouldn't have to go to jail—"

"please, please, Mrs. Smith!" McMann at last succeeded in stopping the torrent of words. "I'm very sorry indeed if anything I said to Benny yesterday gave him the impression that I was about to arrest Miss Lester! Now, I think we'd better call an ambulance and have this boy taken to the hospital. I'm afraid he's a pretty sick youngster."

After Benny, who had lapsed into a fever stupor, had been removed on a city hospital ambulance stretcher, the whole proceeding, frankly recorded by newspaper cameras outside the Borden suite, a wet-eyed girl faced a flushed, penitent detective across the dead man's desk.

"Pretty rotten, I know," McMann admitted defensively, dropping his eyes to the sheaf of notes he was shuffling between his thick fingers, "but if the police didn't use old-fashioned methods occasionally, we wouldn't solve half the crimes we do. Don't like 'em myself, but—"

He paused and shrugged. "Leaves us pretty much where we were before Benny burst in on us, doesn't it? If you'll pardon my language, Miss Lester, this is a hell of a case! Of course, I knew the kid was lying before he'd been 'confessing' five minutes! ... Well, better go to lunch, child. It's after one—by George! It's half-past!"

Ruth rose, her notebook with its stenographic report of Benny's

### UNHAPPIEST STREET IN ENGLAND.

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Piteous details of poverty in Liverpool were disclosed recently at the meeting of the West Derby Board of Guardians.

The area administered by this board—which has a Conservative majority—is the biggest under the control of any board of guardians.

It includes all Liverpool and 15 other townships, 944,922 people living in the 39,507 acres it comprises.

The unhappy facts were stated in reply to a critical letter sent by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Minister of Health, in which he complained that the guardians were spending too much.

In one street of 80 houses (say the guardians) 187 families are in receipt of relief, in 104 cases the need being directly due to unemployment.

Four, five and even six families are living in one house.

"These conditions are accentuated by extreme poverty and much sickness, and the guardians most emphatically state that poverty in these and other districts of the union is so great that relief is granted at the dictates of ordinary humanity."

Of the 56,000 people being relieved, 36,419 are helped solely because of destitution due to unemployment.

Mr. Chamberlain complained that last month 56,000 persons received outdoor relief, to the extent of £15,500 a week, equivalent to a rate of 577 per 10,000 of population.

In two districts one person in five was in receipt of relief, and in three other districts the rate was one in six.

The Minister also complained that the guardians were lax in attendance and administration.

It was suggested by the Minister that guardians' non-attendance was connected with the fact that in a year 87 convictions for obtaining relief by false pretences were obtained.

All these charges are strongly denied.

chivalrous lies held against her breast, tenderly. She would transcribe every word of them, keep the record alive. "And—may Mr. Hayward go with me?"

(To Be Continued.)

### SALVATION ARMY LAW SUIT.

GENERALS AGREE TO  
SIMPLIFIED ACTION.

In a recent issue of the "War Cry" appears an interesting statement concerning the litigation over the administration of the Salvation Army.

The full text of the statement is:—"General Bramwell Booth is still continuing his Chancery action, in which he is asking the Court to declare that the Supplementary Deed Poll executed by the Founder in 1904 and all the provisions thereof were and are invalid and of no effect."

"This being entirely a question of law, General Bramwell Booth's solicitors have recently made a reasonable suggestion for getting it decided in a comparatively simple and economical way."

"The Army's solicitors, acting upon the General's instructions (given after consultation with all the Commissioners who were available for its consideration), immediately accepted it."

What It Means.

"This suggestion is, in substance, this:—"

"That the Requisitioning Commissioners should be dismissed from the proceedings; that the Attorney-General (who, by virtue of his office, has a general jurisdiction over all Public Charities) should be joined with the General as a defendant; and that what is called a 'Special Case' (for which neither 'pleadings' nor witnesses would be required) should be mutually agreed and 'stated' for the opinion of the Court on the question of law."

"The General's feeling about all this is that as the validity of the deed has been challenged by the late General and the Court's decision thus rendered imperative, the sooner this decision can be obtained, and the less money spent in obtaining it, the better."

"As the suggested course promises to cut out some of the complications and formalities and expenses which would otherwise have had to be faced, he is thankful for even this measure of relief to the Army, and so welcomes the suggestion."

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sent to the undersigned before the  
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Kowloon, whence delivery may be  
obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 30th May,  
1929, will be subject to rent.  
Damaged packages must be left in  
the Godowns for examination by the  
Consignees and the Co's. representa-  
tives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at  
2.30 p.m. within the free storage  
period.

All claims must be presented within  
ten days of the steamer's arrival here,  
after which date they cannot be  
recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the  
goods have left the Godowns.  
No fire insurance has been effected.

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## ASTHMA SCOURGE.

NEW PLANS TO FIGHT THE  
DISEASE IN BRITAIN.[To The Editor of Hongkong  
Telegraph.]

Sir,—Good progress is being  
made in the national campaign for  
the scientific investigation of  
asthma, hay-fever, eczema,  
migraine and allied diseases which  
it is estimated, afflict at least half  
a million of our people.

At Guy's Hospital a team, in-  
cluding a clinician, biochemist,  
bacteriologist, immunologist, rhin-  
ologist, psychologist and radio-  
logist, is already at work. Here  
a number of patients are being  
subjected to an exhaustive in-  
vestigation which has already dis-  
closed a constant deficiency of  
certain elements in the blood, the  
correction of which it is hoped  
may relieve or even permanently  
cure the condition.

Equally promising is the work  
now being undertaken at the  
newly formed clinic at Great  
Ormond Street Hospital for Sick  
Children, where asthma is being  
attacked at its simplest and most  
curable stage. The association of  
asthma with cyclic vomiting,  
epilepsy, migraine and skin disease  
is being investigated at this  
centre.

At the London Clinic, Ranelagh  
Road, S.W., physical methods of  
treatment, including medicated  
inhalations, ultra-violet radiation,  
diathermy and breathing exercises  
are being carefully investigated  
by a physician who has visited the  
principal asthma spas on the Con-  
tinent including Mont Dore, Bad  
Reichenhau and Ems.

It is proposed to give a grant  
to St. Mary's Hospital where active  
research on asthma has been  
carried out for the past eighteen  
years. It is also proposed to ap-  
point a research worker at King's  
College, London University, to  
study the experimental production  
of asthma and the effects of drugs  
which relieve the paroxysm. At  
Brompton Hospital arrangements  
are being made to investigate the  
relationship of asthma to general  
respiratory diseases. A grant is  
also required by the London Hospi-  
tal for examining the effects of  
x-ray therapy, of which encourag-  
ing reports have been made.

So keen is the national desire to  
forward this work that a number  
of institutions in the Provinces  
have agreed to provide research  
facilities as soon as the necessary  
funds permit. These include:  
Bristol University, Sheffield  
University, Stobhill Hospital, Glas-  
gow, Manchester Royal Infirmary,  
Birmingham General Hospital,  
Liverpool Royal Infirmary, Leeds  
General Infirmary, Bristol Royal  
Infirmary and the Royal Victoria  
Hospital, Belfast. The Edinburgh  
Asthma Enquiry Committee, which  
has been carrying out a statistical  
investigation of asthma for the  
past eight years is also co-operat-  
ing.

Medical sub-committees are be-  
ing appointed to enquire in-  
partially and without prejudice  
into the claims of osteopaths,  
homeopaths, nature curers and  
others to treat asthma and its  
allied diseases, and no line of in-  
vestigation which gives any pro-  
mise of increasing our knowledge  
of these mysterious disorders will  
be neglected.

An interesting feature of the  
campaign is the appeal which is

## COMPANY REPORT.

PEAK TRAMWAYS DIVIDEND.

Subject to confirmation  
by shareholders the profits  
for the year ended 30th  
April, 1929, amounting to \$50,031.62  
Together with the amount  
brought forward from last  
year .....

Totaling .....

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And Carry forward to .....

next account .....

Total .....

## A NAVAL FILM.

"KEEP WATCH" AT THE  
QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Under the auspices of the Navy  
League a picture entitled "Keep  
Watch" was shown to 450 school  
children at the five o'clock show at  
the Queen's Theatre yesterday and  
proved most instructive as well as  
interesting. The picture dealt  
with many phases of Navy life and  
forcibly demonstrated to what  
extent the British Navy and per-  
sonnel has been reduced since the  
Armistice as compared with the  
other Powers.

Life at training centres and on  
board the Navy League training  
ship Stork was also seen. There  
was plenty of action in the film,  
including gun firing and tactics.  
Another phase covered by the pic-  
ture was the building of war  
vessels, the laying of keels and  
other activities.

being made to asthmatic sufferers  
to co-operate. All sufferers and  
the parents of all children suffer-  
ing from asthma in Great Britain  
and the Overseas Dominions are  
being invited to assist the cam-  
paign not only by subscribing but  
by filling in family history forms  
which, it is hoped, will give val-  
uable information as to the in-  
fluence of heredity in asthma and  
its allied disorders. A report of  
progress will be published an-  
nually and will be supplied to  
subscribers and the Press.

The estimated cost of the cam-  
paign is \$50,000 of which approx-  
imately \$5,200 has already been  
received in gifts and promises.  
This is a work of such great  
national importance that the com-  
paratively small sum required to  
secure its fulfilment should be  
readily forthcoming. We earnestly  
hope that every sufferer from  
asthma, hay-fever, eczema and  
migraine who has not already sent  
a donation will do so without de-  
lay and that the campaign will  
also receive the support of all  
persons of public spirit. Dona-  
tions should be sent to Sir Albert  
Stern, K.B.E., C.M.G., Hon. Treas-  
urer, Asthma Research Council,  
London, S.W. 1, and applications  
for the family history forms  
should be made to the Secretary at  
the same address.—We are, Sir,  
Your obedient servants,

DUFFIN and AVA,  
GREENWAY,  
H. R. L. SHEPPARD,  
ALBERT G. STERN,  
BEN TILLET.

## LOCAL RADIO.

WEEK-END BROADCAST  
PROGRAMME.

Broadcast by Z.B.W. on 350 metres,  
1.48 p.m. Weather report,  
5.30-6.30 p.m. Programme of Chi-  
nese music, (Records supplied through  
the courtesy of Messrs. The Plesant  
Co.)

7.48 p.m. Evening weather report,  
8 p.m. Evening programme, (Co-  
lumbia Records supplied through the  
courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music  
Co.)

"Egmont," (Beethoven),  
Overture, Willem Mengelberg and  
the Concertgebouw Orchestra.  
"By the Waters of Minnetonka,"  
"At Dawning,"

Soprano solo, Corinne Rider-Kelsey.  
8.15 p.m. Dance music.  
8.40 p.m.

"Lilac Time," (Ross and Schubert),  
Vocal Gems,  
Columbia Light Opera Company.

"Song of India,"  
"Rondino,"  
John Solo, Yovanovitch Bratsa.

"The Gondoliers," Vocal Gems,  
Columbia Light Opera Company.  
9.05 p.m. Dance music.  
9.30 p.m.

"The Bohemian Girl,"  
(Ballet) Vocal Gems,  
Miriam Licette, Francis Russell  
and Chorus.

"Reminiscences of Scotland,"  
8.15 p.m. Highland Military Band.  
10.05 p.m. Dance music.

"Sanctuary of the Heart,"  
Albert W. Kellaway's Concert  
Orchestra.

"Nocturne in E Flat," (Chopin),  
"Liebestraum No. 3,"  
"L'Estudiantine, Waltz,"

"Bavaria, Waltz,"  
Jacques Jacob's Ensemble.  
10.30 p.m. Close down.

To-morrow's Programme.  
1.48 p.m. Weather report.  
5.30 p.m. Evening service relayed  
from Union Church.

Prayers.  
Hymns. All people that on earth  
do dwell.

The Lesson.  
Organ Voluntary.  
Solo. Mr. A. Keown.  
Prayer.

Hymn. When I survey the won-  
derous Cross.  
Addresses. Rev. F. C. Young.  
Hymn. Lord of All being, throned  
above.

The Benediction.  
Organ Recital.  
1. Auldtime, (Le Mare).  
2. Suite Gothique, (Boellmann).

(a) Coral.  
(b) Priore, Opus 25.  
7.48 p.m. Evening weather report,  
8 p.m. Evening Programme, (Vic-  
tor and H. M. V. Records supplied  
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"Petrouchka Suite," (Strawinsky),  
Boston Symphony Orchestra.  
"Apollon Musagete," Ballet,  
Boston Symphony Orchestra.

"Gesu Bambino,"  
"Nazareth,"  
Bass-Baritone, Peter Dawson.  
"Serenade," (Schubert).

"Serenade," (Toselli),  
Victor Salon Orchestra.  
"The Chocolate Soldier,"  
"Symphony,"

Duet:—Winnie Melville and  
Derek Oldham.  
"Salut d'Amar,"  
"The Magic Song,"

Marek Weber and His Orchestra.  
"Tremble, Ye Tyrants,"  
"Thy Lips Like Crimson Berries,"  
Tenor, Giovanni Martinelli.

"The Arrow and the Song,"  
"Flower of the Desert,"  
Baritone, Percy Hemling.

"Chorus of Gypsies,"  
"Chorus of Madadors,"  
Metropolitan Opera Chorus.

"Farwell to Thee,"  
"The Rosary,"  
Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.

"Hinton, Dinton and Mere,"  
"The Curtain Falls,"  
Bass-Baritone, Peter Dawson.

"Nearer, My God, to Thee,"  
"When I Survey the Wondrous  
Cross,"  
Westminster Central Hall Choir.

10.30 p.m. Close down.

## PASSENGERS.

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Mr. S. K. Zee, Mr. G. H. Chen, Mr.  
K. Y. Liang, Mr. D. F. Fong, Mr. F.  
J. Brago, Mr. A. J. Krunkle, Mr. R. A.  
Raham, Mr. A. F. Gladstone, Miss F.  
Calvert, Capt. J. G. Coxeter, Mr. H.  
J. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Shastri, Mr.  
J. B. Kemp, Capt. H. J. Ash, Mr. and  
Mrs. S. Fels, Mr. J. J. Mankad, Mr.  
G. G. Dave, Mr. A. H. Kaderhoy, Mr.  
A. Nur Mohammed, Mr. and Mrs. F.  
Trelaven, Mr. W. S. Smith, Miss B.  
McInnes, Mr. and Mrs. H. Frank, Mr.  
T. Storry, Mr. and Mrs. F. Sango,  
Miss E. F. Sango, Mr. A. E. Green,  
Miss Canice, Mr. Y. S. Shan, Mr. C.  
H. Chin, Mr. Y. M. Chen, Mrs. N. B.  
Bench, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Byrne, Mrs.  
M. G. Levy, Miss H. Levy, Mrs. Levy,  
Miss L. Levy, Miss R. Levy, Sergt.  
and Mrs. Finch, Sir S. Barton, Mr.  
H. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Baumgart-  
ner, Mr. F. E. and Miss Johnston,  
Mr. E. A. Yates, Mr. and Mrs. J.  
Thonet, Lt. P. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs.  
A. M. Hailley, Mrs. H. M. Glick, Mrs.  
Fawcett, Capt. J. Oudner, Mr. W.  
Hughes, Miss O. Levitsky, Miss L. E.  
Berry, Mrs. E. M. and Miss Eldwell,  
Mr. N. Napier, Mr. N. Donison, Mr.  
V. F. Clarke, Mr. R. H. McLean, Mr.  
N. Denton, Mr. T. S. Heys, Mrs. C. D.  
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Hynd, Mr. Hynd, Mr. and Mrs. J. J.  
Gaffney, Mr. T. Beatty, Mr. C. W.  
and Mr. T. D. Angell, Mr. and Mrs.  
R. S. Duff, Mr. G. Watanmal, Mr. W.  
H. Blake.

## U.S. TARIFFS.

SEVERAL CHANGES MADE IN  
REVISION MEASURE.

Washington, May 24.  
The House of Representatives will  
vote on Tuesday on the Tariff  
Revision Bill and after that will  
go into recess for two months while  
the Senate deals with the Bill.

The House of Representatives has  
made numerous changes, such  
as increasing the duties on dairy  
produce, removing hides and  
leather from the free list.

The boot and shoe industry is  
expected to benefit from an  
ad valorem duty of twenty per cent.  
—Reuter's American Service.

## BIG STORM IN JAPAN.

LOSS OF LIFE AND MUCH  
DAMAGE REPORTED.

Tokyo, May 24.  
Twelve are known to be dead,  
and the damage to property and  
crops is estimated at five million  
yen, as the result of torrential rain  
which swept over Fukushima pre-  
fecture yesterday.

The damage includes the inunda-  
tion of five thousand houses, the  
destruction of thirty-eight bridges,  
and damage to the railway at  
several points; while seventeen  
fishing smacks are reported to be  
missing.—Reuter.

LETTER GOLF  
SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the  
puzzle on another page.  
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| JEYPORE   | 5,318  | 15th June.                 | Marseilles, London, A'worp,<br>Rotterdam & Hamburg |
| RAIPUTANA | 16,568 | 22nd June.                 | Bombay, M'les & L'don                              |
| PERM      | 7,643  | 29th June.                 | Marseilles, London, A'worp,<br>Rotterdam & Hamburg |
| KASHGAR   | 9,005  | 6th July.                  | Marseilles, London & Hull                          |
| MIRZAPORE | 6,715  | 9th July.                  | Straits, Colombo & B'bay                           |
| ALIPORE   | 5,273  | 19th July.                 | Straits, Colombo & B'bay                           |

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|------------------|-------|------------|------------------------------|
| ST. ALBANS       | 4,500 | 4th June.  | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |
| SANTHIA          | 7,754 | 5th June.  | Moji, Kobe & Osaka           |
| KASHGAR          | 9,005 | 7th June.  | S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| TILSINGTON COURT | —     | 10th June. | S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MIRZAPORE        | 6,715 | 10th June. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe        |
| ALIPORE          | 5,273 | 19th June. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe        |

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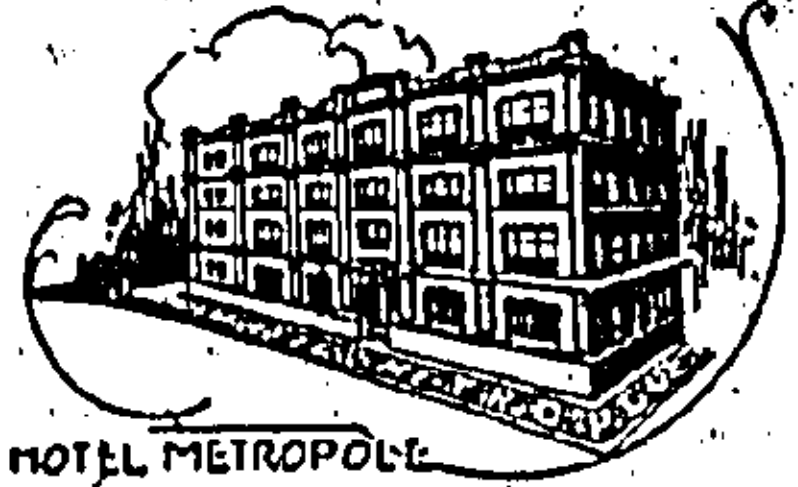


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## SCOTTISH CHURCH UNITY.

MOVEMENT SUCCEEDS AFTER TWENTY YEARS.

### AMERICAN FUSIONS.

London, May 25. An important step in Scottish church history was taken to-day, when the Church of Scotland and the United Free Church finally approved reports from inferior Church Courts in favour of the union of the two Churches.

Negotiations towards this end have been proceeding for the past twenty years.—*Reuter.*

New York, May 24. News of the agreement for Scottish church unity coincides with action for similar unions taken to-day in the United States.

At St. Paul, Minnesota, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church appointed a Commission to consider union with the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

At Indianapolis, the Reformed Church of the United States decided in favour of fusion with the United Brethren Church and the Evangelical Synod of North America.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### BATSMEN FINDING THEIR FORM.

(Continued from Page 1.)

(decd.) thanks to another brilliant effort by E. T. Killick who made 201 before his wicket fell. It was Killick's third century of the season, and his second of 200 or more.

Essex gave a much improved display on batting a second time. O'Connor had the honour of securing the first century of the season for his county. He batted with delightful freedom and had made 168 (not out) in a score of 297 when stumps were drawn.

Scores:

Essex: 292 and 297 for 4 wts. Cambridge: 464 for 8 (decd.)

### SOUTH AFRICANS LOSE.

Six Wickets Win for Gloucester.

Gloucester defeated the South Africans by six wickets at Bristol. Sinfield, the Gloucester bowler, compiled a useful century in Gloucester's first innings.

The South Africans won the toss and elected to bat first. They could not however play Goodard's bowling with any confidence and were sent back for 225 runs. Goodard having six victims at a cost of 68 runs.

Gloucester secured a first innings advantage of 106 runs, scoring 331. Sinfield was the top scorer with 112 runs to his credit, while A. J. Bell took 6 wickets for 68 runs.

Parker showed good form when the South Africans went in a second time and he was largely responsible for their quick dismissal for 232 runs. Parker took 6 wickets for 66 runs.

Gloucester, requiring 123 runs to win, lost four wickets in making them.

Scores:

South Africa: 225 and 232. Gloucester: 331 and 129 for 4.

### FINE LEICESTER WIN.

Surrey Outplayed in the Midlands.

Surrey received a severe thrashing at Leicester, where the home county gave a fine all-round display to win with nine wickets to spare.

Leicester batted first and compiled 408, L.W. Dawson making 103 and Berry 102.

Surrey collapsed, the side being sent back for 186 runs, Astill taking 5 wickets for 79 runs.

Forced to follow on, Surrey gave a slightly better display, but never appeared likely to recover. Astill again did well with the ball taking 7 wickets for 99 runs, and the Surrey innings closed at 273, leaving Leicester to score 62 runs to win. They were secured for the loss of one wicket.

Scores:

Leicester: 408 and 52 for 1. Surrey: 186 and 273.

### FIRST INNINGS WIN.

Derby Just Fail to Force a Victory.

Derbyshire made a big effort to force a victory against Northamptonshire at Ilkeston, and the visitors had an extremely narrow escape, being 180 runs in arrears with only two wickets to fall when stumps were drawn.

Derbyshire batted first compiling 242 to which Northants replied with 219.

## STATE BURIAL OF SUN YAT-SEN.

ELABORATE ARRANGEMENTS IN NANKING.

### FRIENDLY GESTURE.

Nanking, May 24.

The State Burial Reception Committee is making elaborate preparations for the reception of foreign envoys and guests who are coming to Nanking shortly to attend the ceremony of the burial of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

The arrangements include the provision of residential facilities, while many motor-cars are being placed at the disposal of the diplomats.

It is understood that as the envoys are coming in the capacity of accredited representatives of their respective Governments, the National Government is planning to accord them a grand reception, with a view to demonstrating China's appreciation of their attendance.—*Reuter.*

### EAST INDIES STATION.

REAR-ADMIRAL FULLERTON GIVEN COMMAND.

London, May 24.

Rear-Admiral E. J. Fullerton, C.B., D.S.O., has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies Station, in succession to Vice-Admiral B. S. Thesiger, C.B., C.M.G., who has held the post since 1927.—*Reuter.*

[Rear-Admiral Fullerton has been Naval Secretary to the First Lord of the Admiralty since 1927. He saw much service in the Great War, being in command of the monitors Severn, Humber and Mersey during the engagement with the right flank of the German off the Belgian coast from August to November, 1924; was in command of inshore operations against the German cruiser Konigsberg on Rufiji River, East Africa, in 1915; and commanded the battleship Orion, with the Grand Fleet, from 1916 to 1918. He was promoted Rear-Admiral three years ago.]

### SOHO BROTHERS NOT TO RETURN.

"HOLIDAY ABROAD" MUST CONTINUE.

Under a Home Office order, Umberto and Gennaro Sansverino, two of the three brothers who run Gennaro's Restaurant, Soho, have been prohibited from landing in England after a visit to the Italian Riviera.

The brothers, who are well known, have lived in London for some years. Their restaurant was a popular rendezvous of society people.

They left recently for a holiday in Italy, and at present are in Paris awaiting an answer to a protest which they have sent to the Home Secretary.

Vincenzo Sansverino, the third brother, who has remained in London, has approached the Italian Embassy. He states that recently the brothers spent £10,000 on rebuilding the restaurant.

The Home Office decline to make any statement.

In their second innings, Derby made 281 for 7 wickets and declared, while Northants lost eight wickets in their second innings in scoring 174 runs.

### OXFORD HIT OUT.

Barber and Ford Get Centuries.

The powerful Notts eleven were almost forced to bow to Oxford, the Varsity team being in a very strong position when stumps were drawn. After making an excellent total in their first innings, the Dark Blues declared in their second and had secured eight Notts wickets. Notts still required 90 runs to avoid defeat.

Oxford batted first, and scored 447 runs, thanks largely to A. T. Barber, who made 119 and N. M. Ford, who batted brilliantly for 151.

Notts replied with 346, 101 runs behind, and the University, batting again made 224 for 7 wickets when the declaration was made.

Notts scored 235 for 8 wickets in their second innings.

### Victory Over Lancashire.

Sussex beat Lancashire at Manchester by an innings and 95 runs. Sussex compiled 408, to which K. B. Duleepsinhji contributed 134.

Lancashire replied with 215, and following on could only gather another 150.

### Glamorgan Lose.

At Swansea, Hampshire beat Glamorgan by 41 runs.

The visitors scored 172, Glamorgan replying with 228, Kennedy taking 6 of their wickets for 63.

In the second innings Hampshire compiled 166, and Glamorgan's reply was a bare 69, with Kennedy this time taking 8 for 24.

## SEQUEL TO RECENT BURGLARIES.

POLICE MAKE IMPORTANT ARRESTS.

### GANG BROKEN UP?

Acting on information received, the police have arrested a number of persons who are believed to have been concerned in the recent burglary at Messrs. Der A. Wing's shop and similar robberies on other stores in the city.

A squad of C.I.D. men, led by Sergeant Whelan, yesterday raided No. 12, Chinese Street, where, on the first floor of the building, they arrested Leung Pui-nam and Lai Yuen, self-described as coolies, and recovered a number of pawn-tickets relating to articles which are said to have been identified as those stolen from a recent burglary carried out at the city stores of Messrs. Chosen universal providers, at Des Voeux Road Central.

A confession alleged to have been made by the prisoners subsequently led to another raid being carried out on another house in the city, where three or four other men were taken into custody, one of them being definitely charged with acting as a receiver for goods stolen from Messrs. Der A. Wing's shop and from the Chosen stores.

With the arrests made yesterday, the police claim to have broken up a clever gang of burglars whose skill was manifest in the two burglaries mentioned.

In the robbery, at Messrs. Der A. Wing's shop, considerable ingenuity was evidenced by the use of a device which enabled the burglars to "gauge" out a panel in the doorway, while in the other affair at the Chosen store, entrance was gained by the manipulation of a lock in a grill gate at the back of the premises.

The burglary at the Chosen Stores was carried out on April 29, when goods to the value of over \$300 were stolen. Messrs. Der A. Wing reports a loss of goods amounting to \$101 as the result of the burglary at their shop. A number of articles stolen in the two cases have been recovered.

The two men arrested at No. 12 Chinese Street and one of the other men taken into custody after the second raid were produced before Major C. Willson this morning, the former being charged with burglary and the latter with receiving.

Pleading guilty, one of the prisoners was sentenced to six months' hard labour for the actual burglaries, and two of the others were sentenced to three months' each on a charge of receiving stolen goods.

### SENTRY MISSING FROM BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

RIFLE & BEARSKIN FOUND IN THE GREEN PARK.

London, May 1.

A sentry belonging to the Brigade of Guards, whose duty it was to parade outside Buckingham Palace, was reported missing on Monday night, and no trace of him has been found.

When on his usual rounds a police constable noticed that one of the beats usually patrolled by a sentry was vacant. He at once passed the information to the Sergeant of the Guard.

The Guard was turned out and search was made in an endeavour to find the missing man; but after some time had elapsed and the man could not be found, the Guard returned.

A bearskin, a rifle, bandolier, and pouch, supposed to belong to the missing soldier, were later discovered under a bush in the Green Park.

The police are continuing the search.

### WIRELESS STATION FOR GENEVA.

FRANCO-GERMAN PROPOSAL TO LEAGUE.

Geneva, May 24.

The Secretary-General of the League of Nations has received a proposal submitted jointly by French and German wireless concerns to erect a powerful wireless station at Geneva by which the League will be enabled to get in touch with any members in time of emergency.—*Reuter.*

### WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following is the disposition of warships now in harbour:

Basin.—H.M.S. Tamar and submarines L16 and L19.

North Arm.—H.M.S. Sepoy.

W. W. Dock.—H.M.S. Cornwall.

In Dock.—H. M. Ships Bruce, Sirdar and Somme.

Foreign.—Ying Swel (Chinese).

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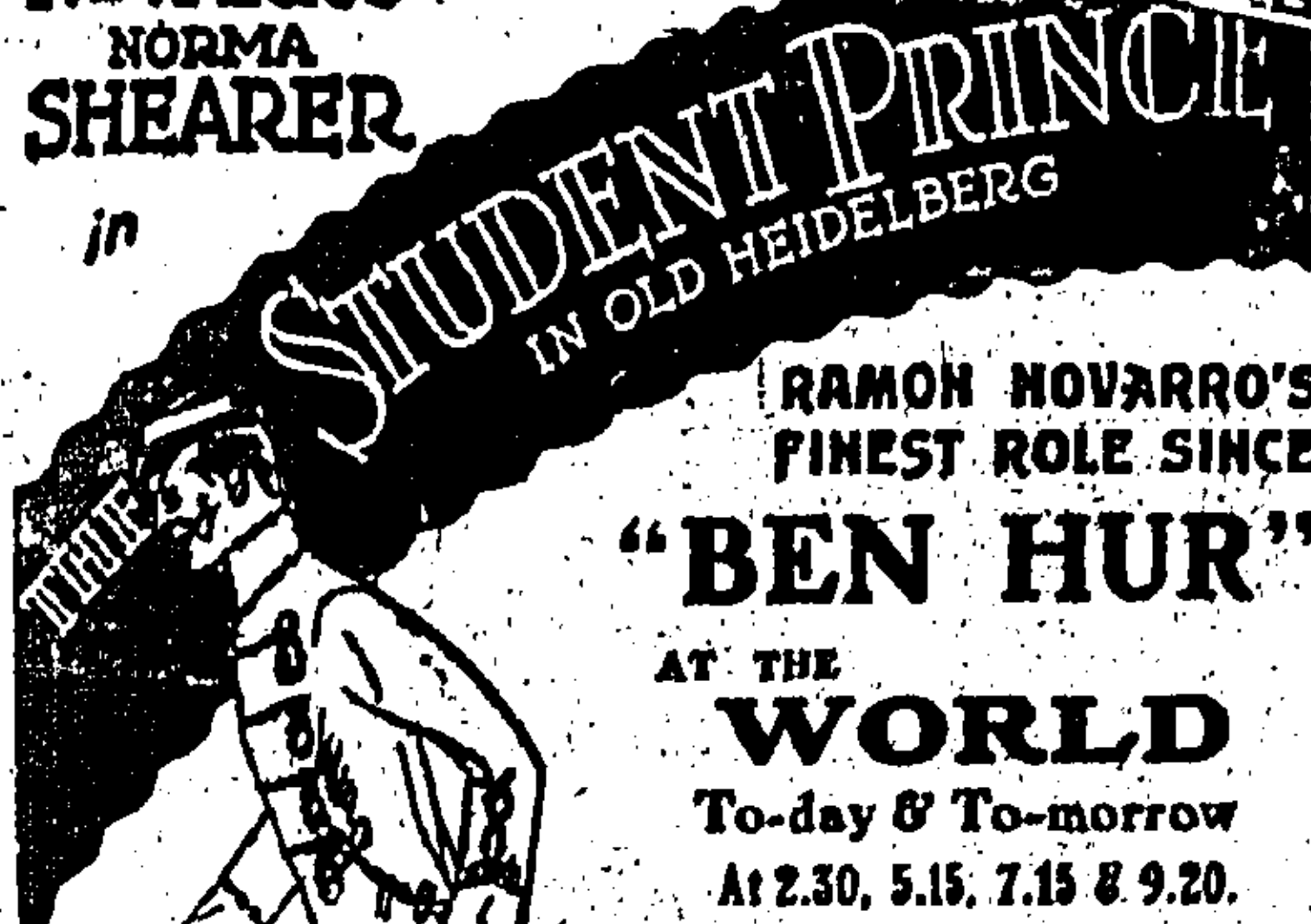
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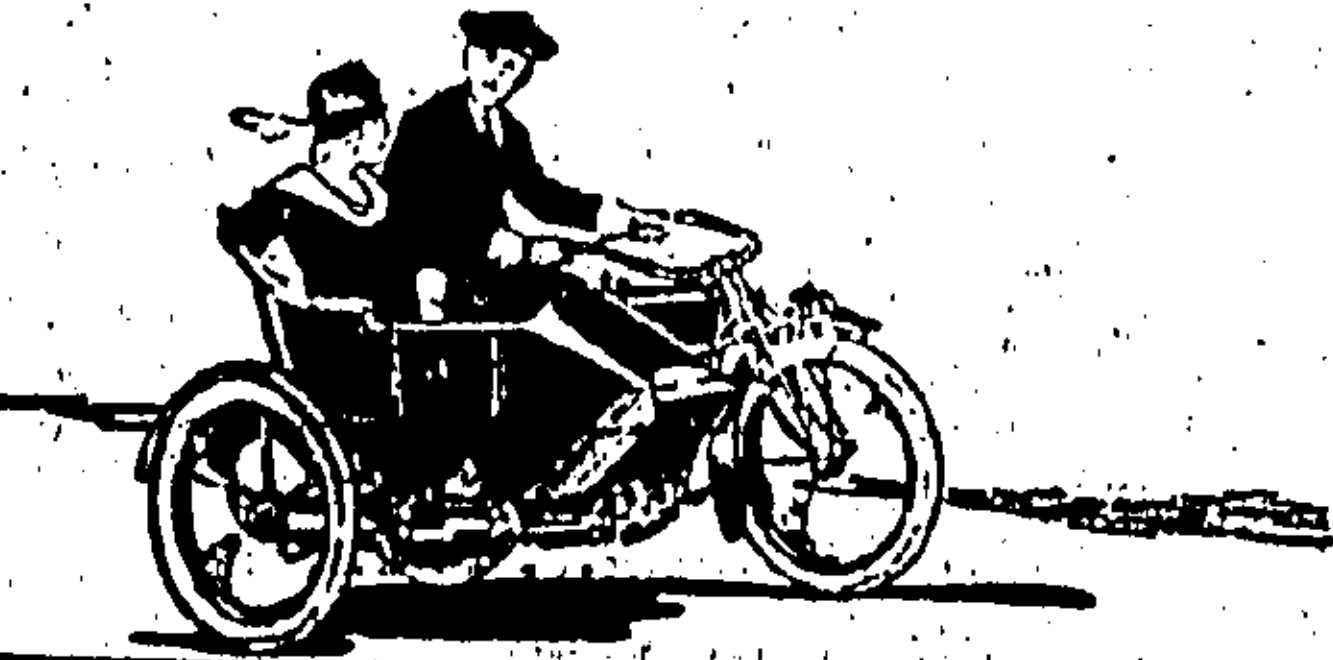
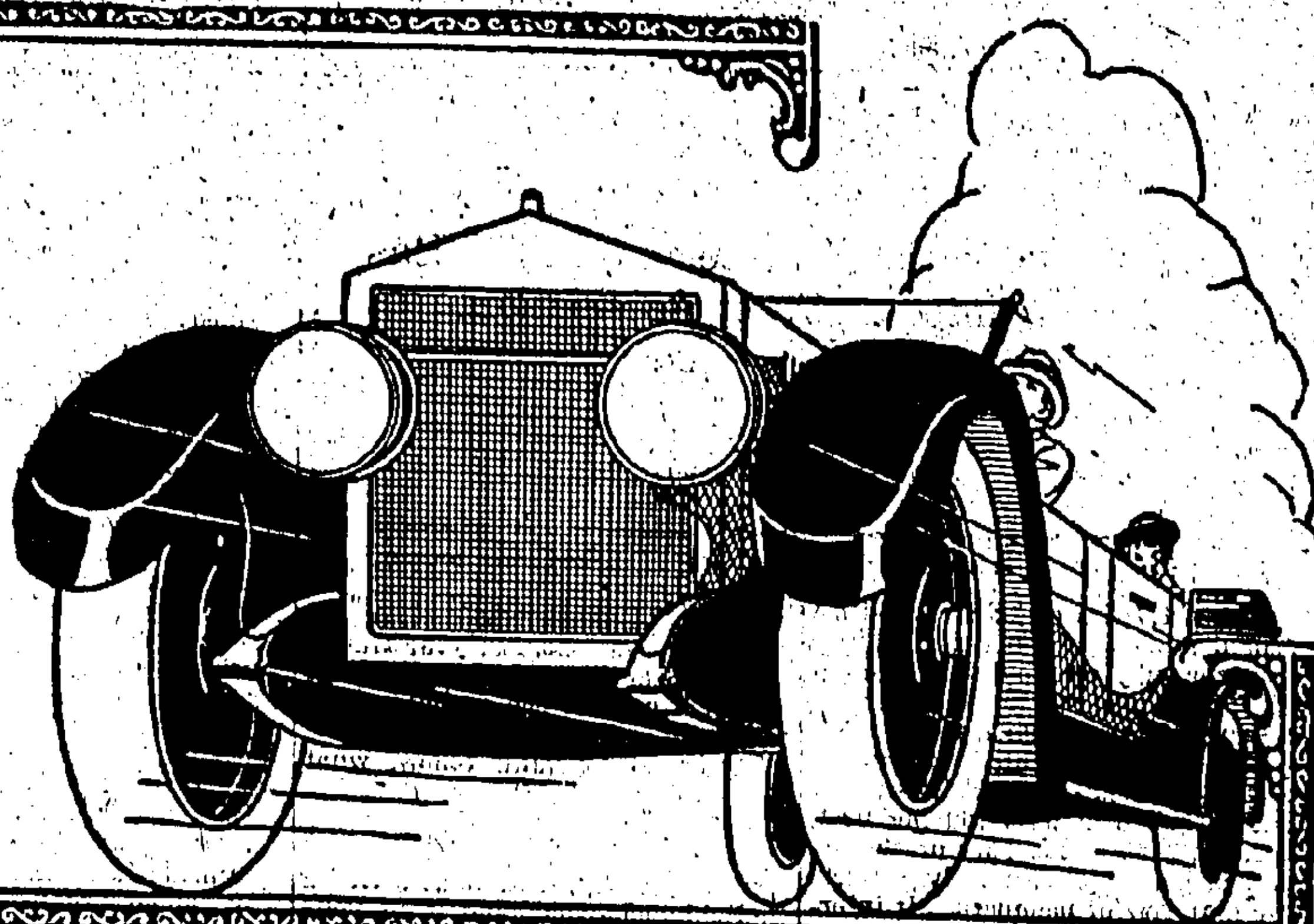
## THE LONE WOLF RETURNS

AT THE STAR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW  
At 2.30 5.30 & 9.20.



# MOTORING SUPPLEMENT

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## CURRENT COMMENT

### Some Difference.

Some interesting facts have been brought to light in that influential British motoring journal *The Motor*, in connexion with the agitation in Great Britain against the excessively high taxation on motor vehicles. One of the most illuminating points is the striking fact that taxation per vehicle in the U.S.A. is only £2.14.0, as against £17.14.0 in Great Britain!—And the Committee which recently formulated suggestions for the revision of Hongkong motor vehicle taxation, considered the British example a good one to follow!

### Buses v. Trams.

Another step in the progress of the motor bus for municipal service has been recorded by the official scrapping of Lincolnia City trams and their replacement by motor buses. The change-over took the form of a special ceremony in St. Benedict's Square before a large crowd of interested spectators. At 3 p.m. the Mayor and Corporation officials took their seats for their last ride in a Corporation tram, and amidst much cheering, slowly proceeded to the Depot, where they were met by four motor buses. Here they officially transferred their affections to the more modern method of transport and the new routes were formally opened.

### A Vision.

The demolition of the old Hongkong Hotel structure has doubtless caused many people to visualise what a tremendous improvement would have been effected had it been possible for the Government to resume the site, for the purpose of a public square. The heart of Hongkong is terribly congested, and this unfortunate position will be increased ten-fold in the future. It may of course, be possible to reserve certain other land for this object, but there appears to be nothing nearer than the Murray Parade Ground. The value of an open space in the very centre of a city is beyond assessment in terms of currency, and it is a great pity that Hongkong has not shown the enterprise to improve existing conditions, and the vision to cause future generations to be thankful for the wisdom of the past.

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### Splendid Roads.

Rapid progress is being made with the new roads on the Praya East Reclamation, the connecting thoroughfares which will link up with the parallel through road being well advanced. The work appears to be carried out with great efficiency, and it is easy to observe how very important this district will be in the future. The new alignment of the old Praya Road near the Arsenal Street corner will prove a conspicuous improvement when completed.

### Warning Needed.

Very few motorists use the old road round the Island these days, but a recent experience of returning to town from Repulse Bay via the old route, prompts a warning to motorists, specially motor cyclists travelling after dark. On the hill descending to Deep Water Bay, re-surfacing is in progress, and drivers are liable to suddenly bump over a rise of some four inches where the new surface has been laid down. When such work is left for the night, it should be possible to bevel the newly laid material down to the road level. A distinct danger is caused to motor cyclists, and even to car drivers, in encountering the sudden lift. An illuminated warning board would not be amiss.

### Another View.

A local motorist has drawn our attention to another aspect of the motor taxation question, which is certainly to the point. He refers to the facilities which are offered in almost every part of the world, whereby people are enabled to acquire motor vehicles on the hire-purchase system. Even in Hongkong, this practice is becoming common, and without doubt, there is much to commend it. "Why are such facilities granted?" asks our correspondent, and he goes on to explain that it is solely because the motor vehicle is to-day considered to be an absolute necessity, that manufacturers are prepared to make conditions of purchase easy. All this assistance is largely nullified on account of the heavy additional expenditure associated with motor car owning.

### Manufacturers' Aim.

The advocates of heavy taxation will surely admit that of recent years manufacturers have shown a keen desire to place automobiles within the reach of all. There is no doubt about this intention, and it is therefore all the more unfair that Governments should endeavour to take an unfair toll from motor vehicles thereby defeating the aim of manufacturers to extend the healthy recreation of motoring to the masses. The fact that it is possible to purchase a car at a low figure is merely a snare and a delusion if the maintenance costs are out of all proportion to the initial outlay. Many people view the matter from this point of view, fearing the upkeep, rather than the outlay in buying a car.

### Badly Lighted.

The road past the main entrance to Government House is a most dismal thoroughfare by night. Surely a few more lamps could be erected, or greater candle-power employed in the existing roadside lamps. Hongkong sadly needs brightening up by night, its present gloom having a most depressing effect, excepting, of course, in the Chinese district.

### At the Ferry.

The island refuge which is being built opposite the Star Ferry entrance on Connaught Road should greatly assist in controlling both vehicular and pedestrian traffic at this point. We imagine that traffic turning on to the Praya from Ice House Street will be required to turn left with the flow of traffic, otherwise confusion will occur by turning right—against the flow of westward

## OIL VAPOUR FUEL.

New British Device.

### SAVES A THIRD.

A new vaporizer which permits motor vehicles to use fuel oil instead of petrol, at a saving of nearly one-third in cost—invented by Mr. Ernest R. Godward—has been accepted by the Mitten Co., of Philadelphia, the second largest operators of motor-omnibuses in the United States.

Mr. J. A. Queney vice-president of the Mitten Co., addressing Philadelphia Engineers' Club explained Mr. Godward's invention, and stated that if all the motor-omnibuses in the United States began using the Godward vaporizer it would mean an annual saving of \$50,000,000 on fuel.

### Former Steward.

Mr. Godward, who was born in London, was formerly a P. and O. boat steward, and was known as the "champion napkin folder." He went to New Zealand and became interested in motor-vehicle construction. He has spent the last fourteen years in perfecting the present device, which is likely to be adopted all over the world for omnibuses, taxicabs, and other motor vehicles.

He has been trying for some years to interest American companies in his invention, and has now secured the full endorsement of the Mitten Co., whose head, Mr. T. E. Mitten, born at Brighton, England, is the leading municipal traction expert in the United States.

Mr. Godward's apparatus sends dry, invisible gas into the engine instead of wet vapour, producing as effective results from fuel oil as petrol.

Mr. Queney explained that it gives considerably increased power and also largely eliminates carbon monoxide gas. Mr. Mitten ordered experiments with the Godward device to be begun two years ago, and since then twenty Philadelphia motor-omnibuses equipped with the vaporizer have travelled more than 300,000 miles.

### More Horse-Power.

The horse-power of the motor-omnibuses, said Mr. Queney, has increased by 15 per cent., while there was saving of 29 per cent. in fuel cost by the use of fuel oil instead of petrol. Carbon monoxide gas, which was previously from 5 to 9 per cent., was reduced by the Godward system to from 1 to 3 per cent. Philadelphia taxicabs owned by the Mitten Company are also experimenting with the invention, and saving 9 per cent. in the cost of fuel.

It is understood that London omnibus companies desire to experiment with Mr. Godward's invention.

bound traffic. We do not know whether it is proposed to place white lines across the road thus indicating where vehicles must stop when pedestrians are passing, but the suggestion is well worth considering.

### The New Road.

The proposed new motor road over in the New Territories has naturally come in for criticism, but even if it does not influence building development as apparently anticipated, the addition of some twenty-five miles of motoring route is certainly desirable, especially over country rich in scenic beauty. We trust that the sponsors of the undesirable taxation scheme will not seize on this expression of approval as the foundation for the possibly obvious retort—"New roads have to be paid for." We quite agree that they have, and even on the present basis of taxation, Hongkong motorists contribute quite a big share. The greater the mileage of roads, the greater the inducement to people to become motorists, providing heavy taxation is not permitted to be the stumbling block in the way of motor vehicle acquisition.

## £8,000,000 EXCESS TAXATION!

The Motorists' Burden in Great Britain.

## ENLIGHTENING FACTS FOR HONGKONG.

For the first time, an organised motorists' vote will influence the coming general elections in Great Britain.

Digging into the totals of taxation and money spent in road maintenance and police, *The Motor*, an influential weekly, has discovered that British motorists pay £8,000,000 excess taxation annually. This sum is part of the total paid by motorists for a definite purpose, and represents the amount of the total which is paid after it is received by the Treasury. Excessive taxation of road transport is held to be one of the factors causing unemployment, and it is notable that British car production in 1928 halted at the peak achieved in 1927, making 1928 the first year since 1913 when motor production failed to show an increase over the preceding year. The additional petrol tax—totalling £13,600,000 per annum—is blamed for this, as the number of new vehicles licensed began to fall immediately it was imposed.

In a striking poster supplied to all members of the Motor Traders' Association, *The Motor* presents the facts and demands reduced motor taxation. An effective comparison shows that taxation per vehicle per annum in the U.S.A. is only £2 14s., as against £17 14s. in Great Britain.

Pamphlets have been distributed throughout the country, urging motorists to write to their parliamentary representatives, and emphasise the necessity for lower taxation. A form letter has even been provided, so that motorists can copy the vital facts of the argument, sign it and post it to their respective members of Parliament.

"No politics, no threats, just facts," is the slogan of *The Motor*, but the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill (Chancellor of the Exchequer) is the target for these facts. A cartoon entitled "Troubles" on the poster depicts him in the well-known attitude of "Bubbles," and the bubbles he has achieved are labelled "Luxury Tax," "Doubts," "Road Fund Raid," "Blow to Industries," "Petrol Tax" and "Uncertainties."

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Gath'ring up pamphlets that promise thrills—  
Flight on the flat-lands and speed on hills—  
Intimate details they swift devour,  
Again with the salesmen they spend an hour.

Again with the salesmen they hear with lust  
Of chromium that never will flake nor rust,  
Of brakes that are better, of comfort beat,  
Fresh food for a mind that now cannot rest.  
Fresh food for a mind that must figure cost,  
And balance the gain against interest lost;  
Must sigh that the old car and they must part,  
Regretting a friend who has won a heart.  
Regretting a friend for a brief, brief space,  
When new models plead for the old car's place.  
Demand admiration and praise; gams stint,  
With paint all a-glitter and glass a-glint.

## BRITISH FORDS.

Huge Export Field.

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The Ford Motor Co. of Australia was established by Ford of Canada, which holds exclusive distributing rights for the British Empire excepting Great Britain, and the extension of Ford activities in England pays a compliment to British workmanship and manufacturing facilities.

In the English plant are built cars for France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, and parts of Africa. The establishment of the English plant played a part in the revival of British trade in 1928.

Other instances of Henry Ford's pro-British drift is his release of 2,800,000 shares for British investors, and his decision to move the whole of the Fordson tractor plant to Cork (Ireland). This plant will fill the entire world requirements of Fordson tractors, including those of the U.S.A. and Canada.

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## A PARKING PROBLEM.

Cars Not to be Left in Gear.

## LONDON RULE.

It is not generally known that in London one must not park a car in such a manner that it may not be moved by manual power. It is definitely illegal, therefore, to leave a saloon car in gear with the doors locked. Quite recently two motorists were summoned at Marylebone for this offence, and although the magistrate dismissed the cases with costs, he gave the delinquents to understand that future offenders would be fined.

## BUICK CAR FOR KING'S STAFF.



King George's personal staff reaches Bognor, England, preparatory to His Majesty's arrival at Craigwell House. All are interested in watching the luggage safely packed onto the Buick.



## FROM LITTLE ACORNS.

## How a Motorists' Protective Unit Has Grown into a Vast Association.

(By Maurice Sampson.)  
(PART 2 CONCLUDED).

## Touring Activities.

The activities of this one-time acorn, now a very big and sturdy oak tree, may be sub-divided roughly into three sections: Touring, Engineering and Political.

It is rather difficult to say which of the three is the most important, but I shall deal with touring first, because that is the part of the organization which probably affects the majority of members. It interests me the most and I am a member.

You can take it that there is practically no place in the civilized world where motor vehicles can run that is not in some way or other charted, indexed and known in Fanum House. You just cannot make the Touring Department raise its eyes or catch its breath. You may enter, and in the most disarming manner say you want to motor to Tanganyika. You are put through to "Foreign Touring," and in an almost inconceivably brief space of time you are given routes to the most convenient Mediterranean port, and then conducted as pleasantly as may be to Tanganyika, or as near to it as a motor car on wheels may go. What is more, you can obtain just the same information from any of the twenty-two area offices.

But it is the surprising speed with which detailed, accurate routes, with intermediate and total distances in kilometers and miles—if abroad—and miles if at home, are provided.

"Where would you like to go for a run?" the chief of the Touring Department asked me.

"How about Golders Green to Bridgend?" I answered. "They are both rather attractive names."

"Have a look at your watch," said he.

"Why? It's not quite time for lunch; but I make it 12.5."

"Remember that—12.25," I said. I would, but could not see much point in it—it's nicer to think of the clock nearer lunch time. However, I said I would remember in order to humour the good man.

"Someone came into the room and handed me an envelope. 'What's

the time?" asked the touring expert.

"12.31," I answered.

"A bit slow—no, not your watch, but our service; you must put it down to the 'flu; one or two of our best people are away."

"But I don't quite follow, what? why?"

## Excusable Delay.

"Your route, from Golders Green to Bridgend—you have it in your hand—it took six minutes to prepare. Excusable in the circumstances, but scarcely a hustle."

I opened the envelope. It contained some useful roadside hints, seven pages devoted to the route, all very much detailed; intermediate mileages between fifty different places on the way; a mass of historical information on the towns passed through; present-day data; notes on the roads and scenery, and five very clearly printed town plans. Not bad for six minutes' work!

"Now, perhaps you'd like to go foreign," I was asked; "if so, name a route and we will see what we can do."

## "Going Foreign."

"Right. Take me from Calais to Les Sables d'Olonne, and suggest somewhere to stop the night on the way."

In precisely five minutes a route "replete" with all modern conveniences and historical lore was placed before me. Its wrapper also contained a list of A.A. recommended hotels and garages in France—all France, not merely those on my selected route—a leaflet, with historical notes, on the Chateaux country, town plans of Calais and Boulogne, a list of useful maps, and two suggestions for a night's stop in the 479 miles' journey—one at the "Grand Angleterre" at Beaulieu, which is, the route informs me, 125 miles from Calais; and, if I like, I am invited again to rest my body at Tours (309 m.) at the "Metropole," the "de l'Univers," or the "Central." There were also concise hints on driving in France, rules of the road, and other matters perhaps well understood by the

seasoned traveller, but of vital importance to the novice on his first motor trip abroad.

And all this is provided in five minutes—while you wait, in fact. You just sit in a chair by a nice warm radiator, light a cigarette, and let your information be before you, in breast-pocket form.

Linked up with this hive of information is the smoothing of your ways when you take your car abroad. I do not propose to say a great deal about it, but if you want to go anywhere in the civilized world with your car, and visit the A.A. at any of its offices, you have nothing to do but say what you want, sign documents in the spaces to which your attention is directed, pay the appropriate sums of money involved—the Association does not get any of it; all it gets is your modest membership fee—and then depart on your lawful occasions.

## Too Easy.

So easy has this vast organization made it to find one's motoring way about the world, and so enormously are its services regulated by huge numbers of its nearly 400,000 members, that it makes me feel as though the old pioneering spirit is dying in our race. Think of the days when, armed only with one's own head upon one's shoulders, one sought out strange lands and peoples unaided by the ramifications of a giant organization, with a nerve centre in London, and tentacles reaching from California to Turkey!

But the fact that the Association last year shipped overseas so many thousands of members' cars, set their occupants on their straight or winding courses, welcomed them back at the foreign ports, and enfolded them in a wide embrace on reaching their own shores once more, shows that a very large number of people want looking after these days.

But when I think of Frankie Drake on the little *Golden Hind* a vessel we should to-day regard as rather risky for cross-Channel service, and with a crew of forty youths, pushing off down Channel on his little jaunts to the West Indies, round the Horn itself, and even right round the world, I wonder whether the Automobile Association as a body is not a good deal harder and sturdier than many of its members.

No wonder that acorn has grown up into a mighty oak!

But, if you never tour abroad, or even at home, in the sense of requiring a ready-made route, you have very good value for your two guineas—or one guinea only if your car is under one-litre engine capacity—though what engine capacity has to do with subscrip-

tions always puzzles me. If I have a 12 h.p. car, which as a matter of fact I have, and my neighbours, respectively, have an Austin Seven and a Rolls-Royce, I feel that if I pay double my Tiddler friend's subscription, the Rolls man ought to pay double my own. I put this forward as worth consideration. I don't grudge the Austin Seven owner his good luck, but the fact of his owning that car is no criterion of his lack of means. As a matter of fact I once owned one myself, and as it cost next to nothing to run I was better off than I have ever been since I parted with it. This by the way.

As I have just said, even if you only potter forth at week-ends, you very much get your value for your twenty-one or forty-two shillings.

Have you ever considered seriously what the roads round our great cities and towns would be like at week-ends if all the road patrols were withdrawn? Have you ever thought how long an average journey of about 100 miles—take London to Coventry as an example—would occupy if you went without taking risks and the road patrols were not on duty, and contrasted the time with what you normally take?

Were it not for the patrols to slow you down or wave you on, you ought, if you value your life and the lives of others, to reduce speed to a crawl at numerous cross-roads, and look carefully up and down before crossing. If you did not do so, you would not be a good insurance risk for long.

And think of the tediousness of motoring on our main roads in such conditions. No one would keep to such careful tactics for long, and the result would be nothing but scare headlines in newspapers, even more crowding in hospitals, and overtime for coroners.

So that is why I am rather astonished that anyone can to-day conscientiously refuse to pay this modest premium towards safer and faster road travel. Here is the A.A. spending approximately £500,000 a year on road service. As a paying member I feel a little strongly that many not paying get just as much safety strewn in their paths as I do.

It is sometimes said that the patrols do little but salute. Personally, the saluting means little to me—I had enough and to spare in War-time—but, after all, it is a pleasant and courteous salutation, and does no harm, and probably pleases some people immensely.

But not all patrols can salute even the toughest member. I could show you a hardworked man in khaki at a new arterial road crossing, a main road to the north of London, who has about the toughest traffic-directing job I can imagine. He has not a slack moment for hours on end, and if he ever succeeds in saluting me I shall suggest to a theatrical manager of my acquaintance that he engages him as the greatest prestidigitateur—wonderful word that—of this or any other age.

There are plenty more like him—but this particular man comes often under my notice, so I instance him. Member and non-member alike are sped safely on their ways by this humble but ever cheerful and efficient A.A. patrol.

Of course, you may argue that this sort of service ought properly to be carried out by the police. I don't know; but I do know that it has been publicly stated that each constable costs ratepayers some £300 a year. Figure out for yourselves if every A.A. patrol were replaced by a policeman, what ratepayers would have to find. Not only that, but the patrols are traffic-directing and traffic-controlling experts, whereas it would take a pretty long time to make such smart fellows out of country constables. I can hardly bear to think of what would happen at some country cross-roads I know!

Let me also record that all patrols are encouraged to take the St. John ambulance course, and when proficient receive extra pay.

During the busy touring season the A.A. supplies many thousands of routes every week—in the four days preceding the Easter holiday I learned that from 8,000 to 10,000 is not exceptional. Wrapped up with touring is the subject of hotels.

In the matter of hotel appointments and recommendations the Association does a great deal of work. It helps many members. It makes mistakes. It is not infallible. But it is, I am satisfied, doing its very best. Unless one digs below the surface, it is difficult to discover the immense obstacles to be overcome before the all-round level in comfort and cooking in British hotels and inns can be brought up to that of the Continent.

If there is one body which I am persuaded can bring about a general levelling up of our hotels and inns it is the A.A. I know they have the matter at heart at Fanum House. I wish them well in their long tussle with Mr. Bung. But they cannot work miracles, and before we can be sure of kitchens being equal to bare we must have help from the Government. Let only the Board of Trade would get

busy with the A.A.—authorities working hand in hand with practical experience—we should all be able to regale ourselves admirably and lie softly in most of the towns of Great Britain.

I would like to see the A.A. in the position of the French T.C.F. That body is able to bestow its benison or its curse on any establishment which caters for passing motorists. Again, in France, a little star in the Michelin guide against the name of a hotel indicates specially good cooking. Shall we ever see the day when a crossed knife and fork, similarly placed in the "A.A. Handbook," will mean that even the dyspeptic may sit down at table without a qualm, nay, with enthusiasm?

Now may I touch upon the engineering side? Under a chief engineer at Fanum House are five permanent consulting engineers, fully qualified men, always at the service of members. This department is of enormous assistance as a skilled and diplomatic go-between when members get to loggerheads with garages, need used cars vetted, or their interests looked after if they are called abroad and leave their cars behind them. This department never sleeps, for there is always, during twenty-four hours of every day in the year, an engineer on the premises in New Coventry Street. No service is too big, nothing too trivial for them, since what might appear trivial to them may be vital to a member.

## In the Small Hours.

I will quote one instance, for the details of which I can vouch. Not very long ago a member rang up at 3 a.m. from a public telephone box in a fashionable London square. He had just bought his first car, had left it parked in the square while he was at a party, and on going to it found a tyre flat. What should he do? Yes, he had a spare wheel, but did not know how to manipulate it.

The night member of the engineering department gave him a clear lecture on how to jack up, explained how the jack was operated and where to look for it on the car, what a wheel brace is and how to use it, how to put on the spare wheel and mount the one with the flat tyre in its place, and so forth and so on. Laughable, you may say. Perhaps, but that member did not see anything to laugh at, and I, for one, consider his two guineas had been very well spent if only for the benefit of the voice at the other end of the phone

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department, the A.A. is best known as an uncompromising opponent of the twenty shillings per horsepower system of car taxation, and as an advocate of a tax on petrol instead. Taxation of cars by usage, in fact.

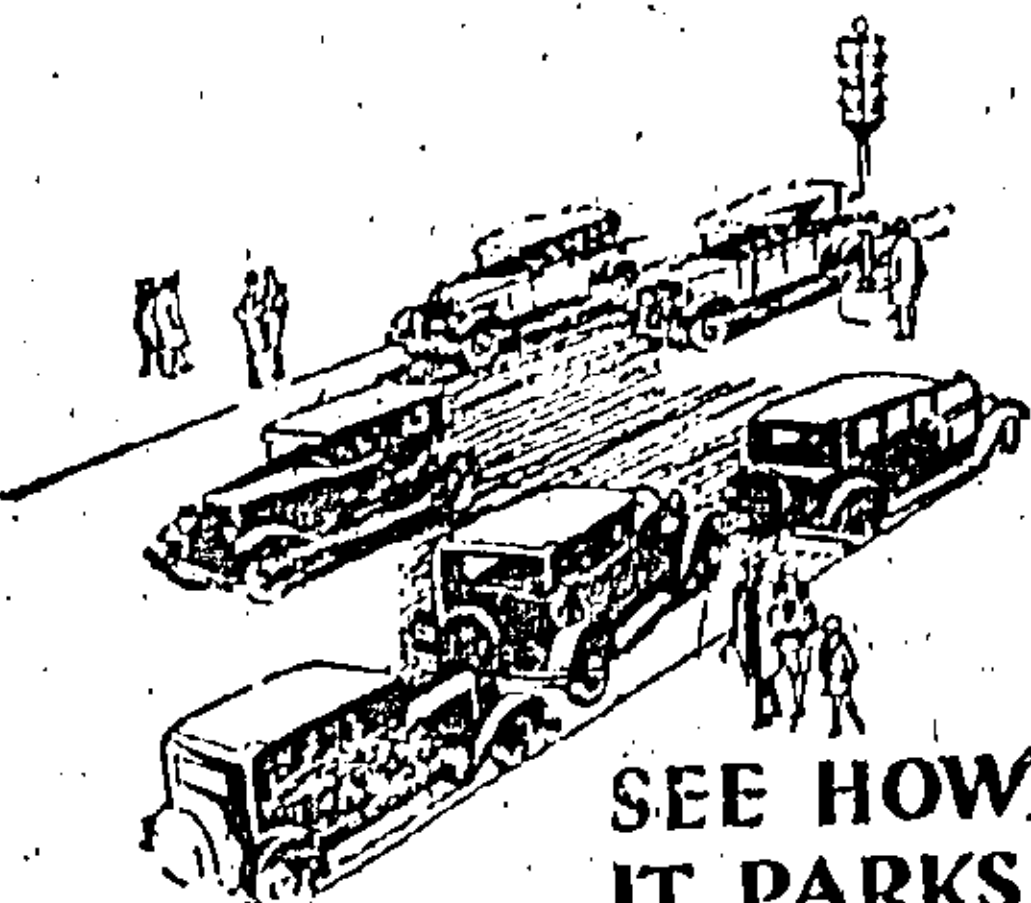
At present it looks as though this campaign has miscarried, as we labour under both forms of taxation. I am not going to argue about the pros or cons of either system—though I will say I hate the combination—but the A.A. took a referendum of its members and presented a monster petition

to Parliament in favour of the petrol tax in place of the 51 per h.p. imposition. So that looks as though a very great many people agreed with the Association's views.

Anyway, whatever our ultimate fate may be, the Association is not dismayed, and keeps pegging away in the Lobby and before Commissions. After all, with a membership such as it has, it does represent a very big body of opinion. If not, it would not continue to attract thousands more members every few months.

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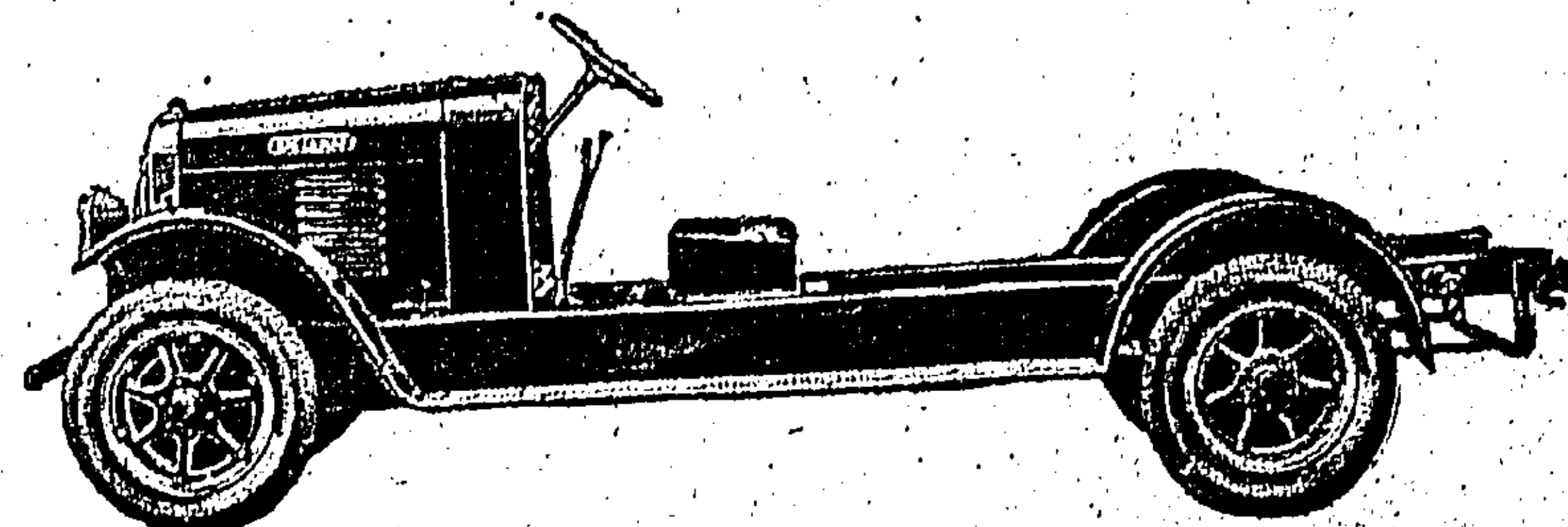
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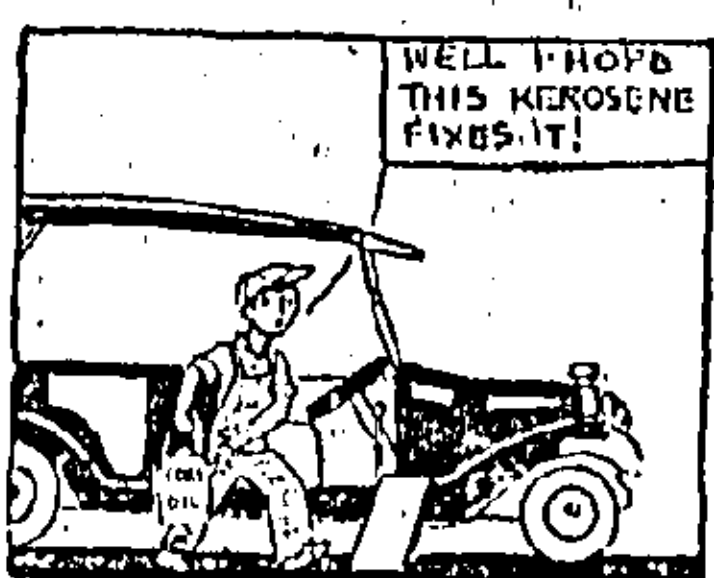
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THE "LIFE-SAVER," THE COTTER PIN.

It's just a little loop of bent up steel wire, but it carries an awful weight of responsibility. Every car on the road would go to pieces, within a short mileage, if it were not for the faithful services of these humble safety devices. Safety of life and limb depends upon them constantly. The unscrewing of nuts, which hold vital parts together and the dropping out of pins, which join important car parts are most usually prevented only by the presence of cotter-pins, so placed as to resist any turning off tendency or detaching. The purpose of this article is to urge upon everyone, who has to do with motor cars, to make it, almost a sacred duty, to see that cotter-pins are infallibly replaced when they have been removed in the disassembling of car parts. No more important bit of advice bearing upon the prevention of injury to persons or of damage to cars can be put into print. The steering gear is held together by pins kept from dropping out or by ball joints secured from falling apart by cotter-pins. The brake operating linkage and parts of the brakes themselves are kept from coming apart and becoming useless by the same tiny but indispensable locking devices. There is nothing to prevent the nut that holds a wheel on its axle from working off and ditching a car save the cotter-pin inserted through it and the axle end. Spring-bolt lock nuts will drop off and let the spring ends loose from the frame, were it not that they are cotter-pinned or secured with lock washers. Aside from the protection to passengers afforded by cotter-pinning of fastening devices, is the use of the cotter-pin to safe-guard motive power and transmission parts against losing their correct adjustment or even against getting adrift and working havoc upon themselves and neighbouring parts. Whatever is said as to the necessity of punctilious care in replacing cotter-pins which have been removed, by new pins properly inserted and

securely bent applies with equal force in regard to lock washers, locking wires and all other auxiliary fastening devices.

Clutch Discs Stick Together.



Question—The fabric-faced multiple-disc clutch of my car drags and spins, when I try to start out after the car has been idle for a few days, but after it is once freed, it operates all right. If I put in a stick to keep the discs separated, I can leave it for weeks and have no dragging at starting. How can this trouble be prevented?

Answer: Apparently, there is nothing mechanically wrong and it seems probable that the surface condition of the fabric is the trouble. The facings may have become gummy and you might try washing them off with kerosene squirted onto them through the opening in the top of the clutch housing. If there is a hole in the bottom of the housing, close it temporarily to retain sufficient kerosene and open it afterwards to drain it. Spinning of a clutch after remaining idle, is not very bothersome, if low or reverse gear is engaged and the clutch held out, before the engine is started. When the engine starts and the clutch let in gently, with the hand brake set, the discs are pretty sure to be separated and further trouble prevented.

Rumbles at High Speeds.

Question—At high speeds, my coach rumbles so that it seems as if it would shake itself to pieces. I can drive it up hill at 30 m.p.h., but down hill it rumbles as if all the body bolts were loose. I have looked over the engine bearings

## NEW MOTOR CRIME.

Carelessness' Defined.

### SPAIN TIGHTENS LAW.

The crime of "carelessness" has been added to motoring offences by the new penal code recently introduced in Spain. There are two degrees of this crime—"serious" and ordinary.

Some definitions of "serious carelessness" laid down by the code are:—If and when the act could have been foreseen by the use of ordinary intelligence; if the time and means employed by the person concerned were hopelessly inadequate, and consequently caused harm to persons or property; or if there should be any other circumstance which, in the opinion of the tribunal, proves the seriousness or recklessness of the misdemeanor as being sufficient for sentence.

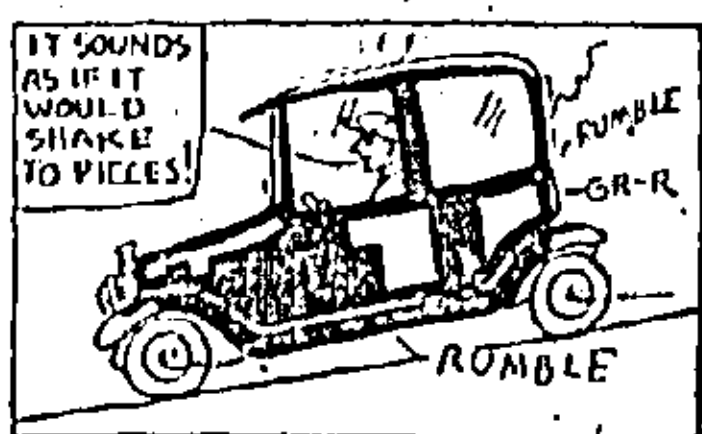
"Ordinary carelessness" is defined as:—"When the tribunal considers that the driver did not utilize foresight, prudence, or skill."

Penalties under the new code are more severe on motorists convicted of carelessness, ranging from eight years in the event of the death, paralysis, blindness or lunacy of the victim, to six months if the victim is rendered unfit for ordinary work for more than 60 days.

In addition, the motorist has to pay compensation, which, in the extreme cases, is computed at 20 times the annual salary of the victim.

and they seem all right. How do you account for this trouble?

Answer: We do not believe the engine is at fault. If the car coasts at high speed, with the clutch out and the engine idling and there is still rumbling, it is not due to the engine. You better see that the drive shaft runs true. Have someone watch it with the floorboards lifted and see if it vibrates or "whips" at high speeds. See that there is nothing loose about the universal joints and that there is no excessive lost motion at the ends of the rear springs or looseness at their clips. Make sure that mudguards, muffler and all such parts are securely supported and that the body-bolts are all secure.



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## PETROL, NOT WATER.

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enveloped in flames, which were not put out before considerable injury had been caused.

In many garages a petrol tin is used to hold a supply of water for radiators. In view of the possibility of confusion it would certainly appear from the foregoing that such a practice is definitely undesirable.

### PRINCE'S MASCOT.

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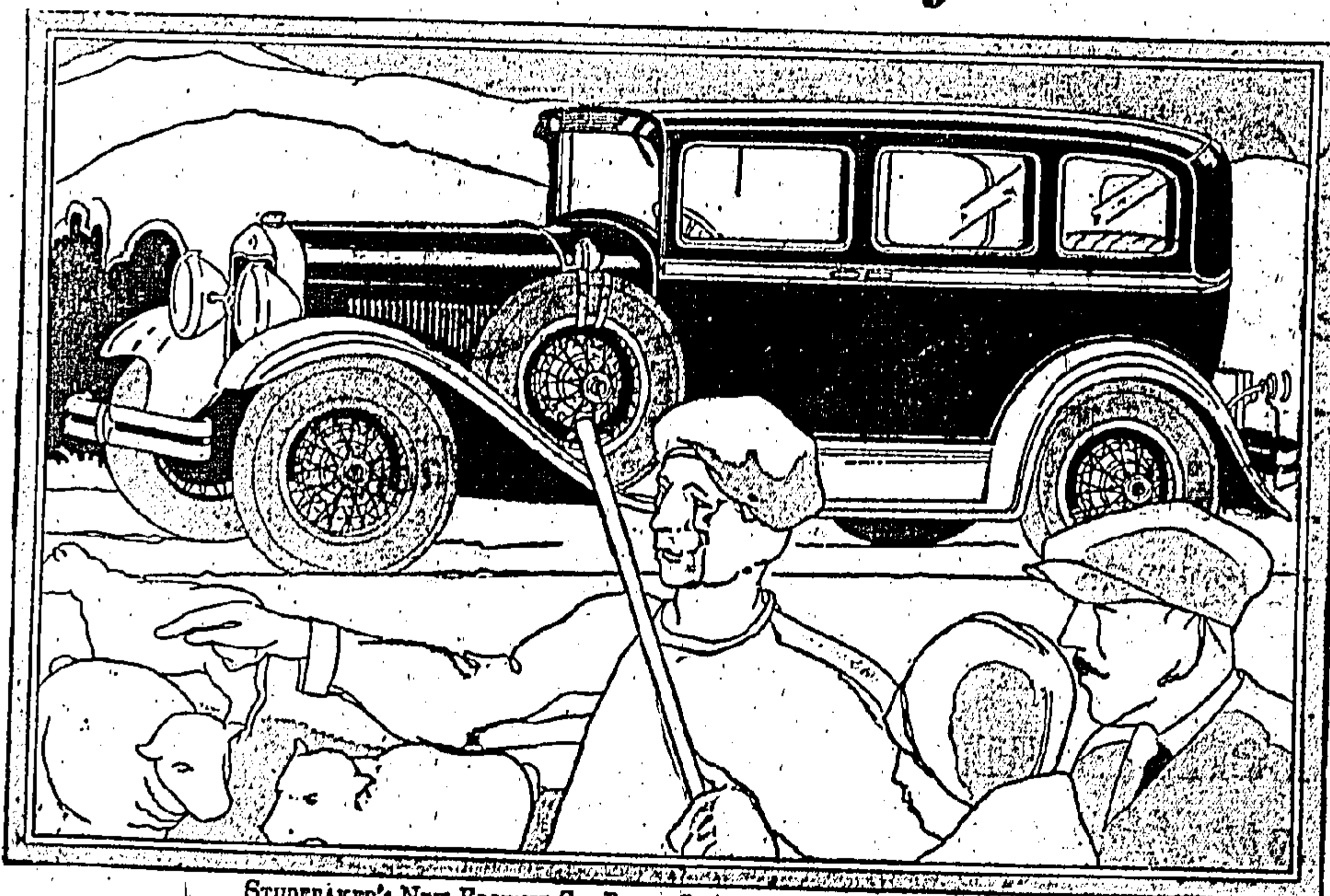
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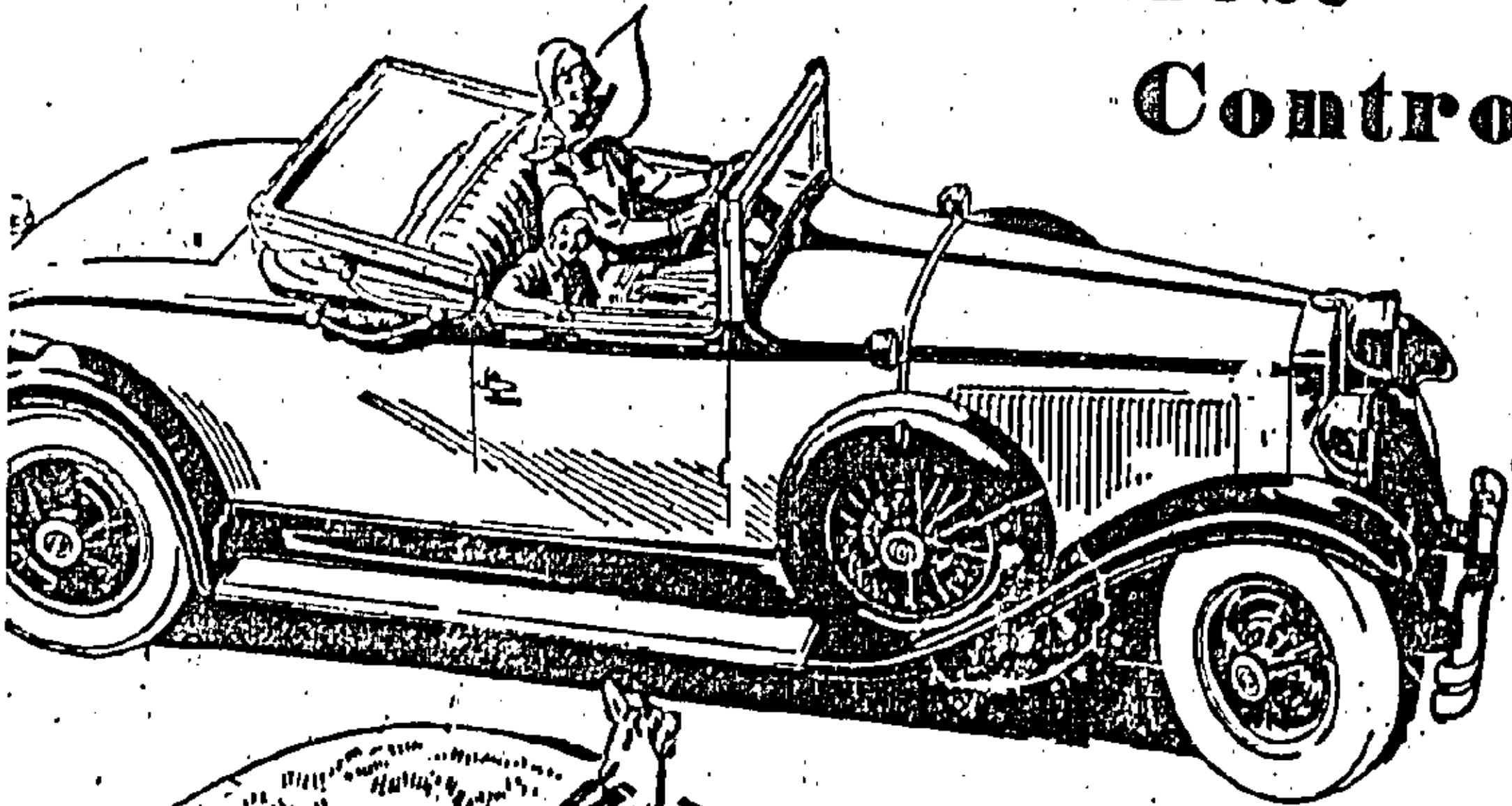
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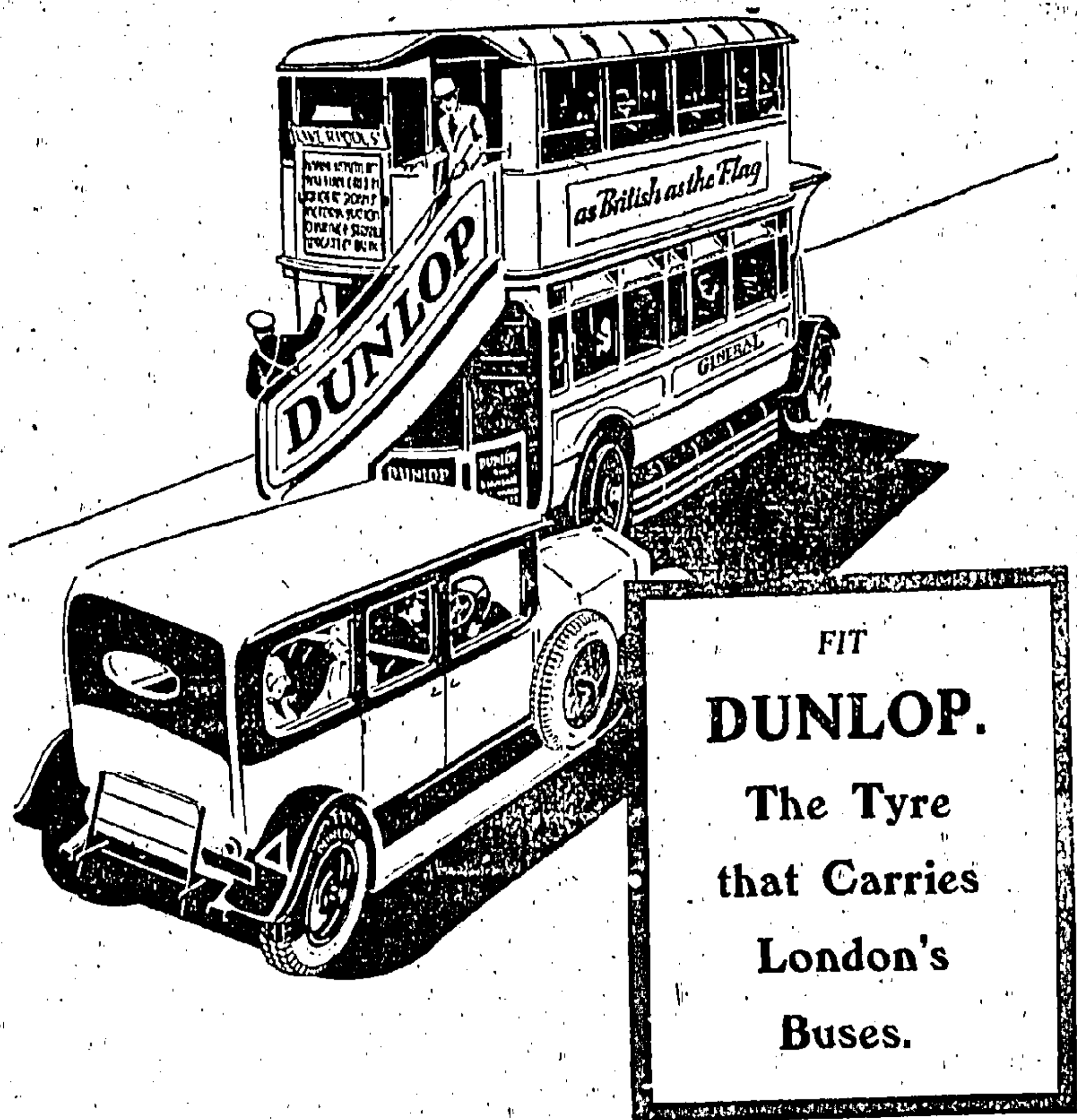
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No definite choice has yet been made of the intermediate stopping places, but it is proposed after consultation with the various light aeroplane clubs to follow the general plan of last year's race, in which nearly all the flying clubs were visited in turn. A meeting of the Associated Clubs' General Council will be held at the Royal Aero Club, and if the clubs are agreeable the probable course will be as last year to Norwich, Birmingham, Nottingham, Leeds, Newcastle, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Blackpool, Liverpool, Bristol, Hamble, and back to Heston.

**A New Aerodrome.**  
Heston is a new aerodrome, which lies just off the Great West Road, and has been started by two pilots—Mr. H. N. St. V. Norman, who is a keen private owner and an officer of the Auxiliary Air Force, and Mr. F. A. I. Muntz, also a light aeroplane owner—with the avowed object of providing a terminal aerodrome for private owners and taxi machines close to a main route into town.

At present there is no such aerodrome serving London, other than the Continental air port at Croydon, and air traffic there is becoming so regularized and at times congested with commercial air liners that it is doubtful if the light aeroplane owner can get the individual attention that a private aerodrome of this sort will supply.

There is Stag-lane Aerodrome, but this is already congested with the headquarters of the London Aeroplane Club and the intensive flying of the De Havilland Company, so that there is a real need for another air port near London.

**Keen Struggle Expected.**  
It is too early yet to say the number of entries to be expected, but last year there were 38, and this year there is certain to be a very keen struggle to wrest the

### UP AND DOWN. Petrol Price Anomaly. TWO KINDS OF CONTROL.

Coincidentally with the increase in the price of petrol in Great Britain last month, American oil companies, faced with the crisis of over-production, began an internal price war.

While petrol in Britain jumped to from 1s. 4½d. to 1s. 7d. per gallon, it fell in parts of the U.S.A. to 13 cents (6½d.) per gallon.

American oil companies have been attempting to control production, and it has been seriously proposed that all wells close down for three months. The difficulty has been to get the enormous numbers of small producers to agree, for with a number of bores checked by jowl on the same field, and all draining oil from the same reservoir, the policy has been to get as much out of the earth as possible in the shortest time, because the owner of the next bore is trying to do the same, and the reservoir must ultimately run dry.

Draining their crude oil supplies from all over the world, the British oil companies have been seeking to standardise prices. Russian oil was the competitor which kept prices down, and the upward move indicated that the Russian interests had been induced into the controlling British group.

King's Cup from the Moth aeroplane. This machine has now been victorious for three years in succession, and some of the more recent high-speed single-seater fighters may again give that added interest of a fast back marker endeavouring to catch up the medium-powered aircraft.

It is likely that this year, too, the air racing will be concentrated more on this one big race, and that the inter-club race meetings may be curtailed, as in any case 1929 will have more than the usual proportion of air events. The new airships should be flying about June, then comes the King's Cup, a week later the Royal Air Force display, after which attention will be concentrated upon the British International Aircraft Exhibition at Olympia, from July 13 to 27, and then, almost as soon as this is over, the first of the foreign machines will be arriving at Calcutta to begin practice for the big world air race, the Schneider Trophy, to be flown over the Solent on September 6 and 7.

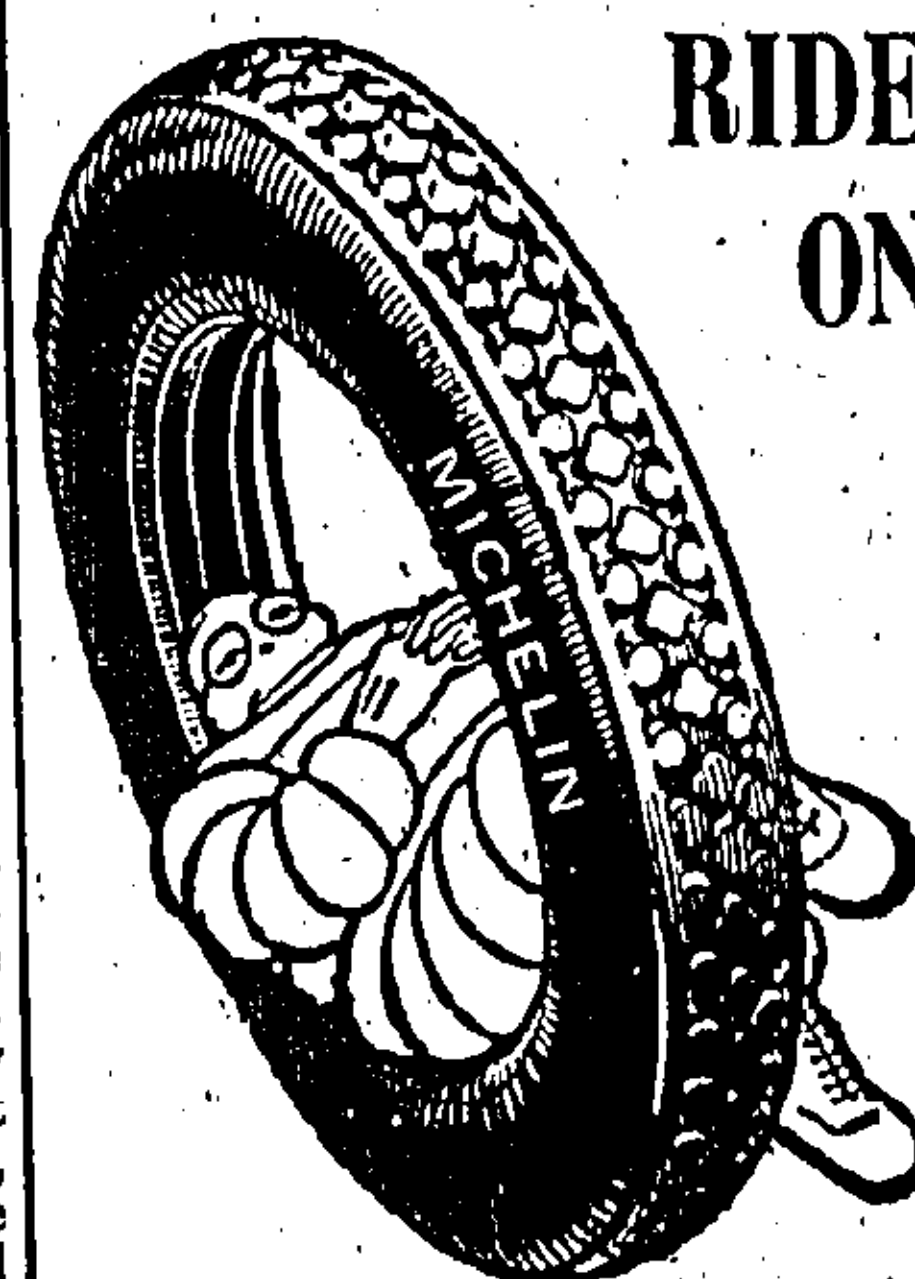
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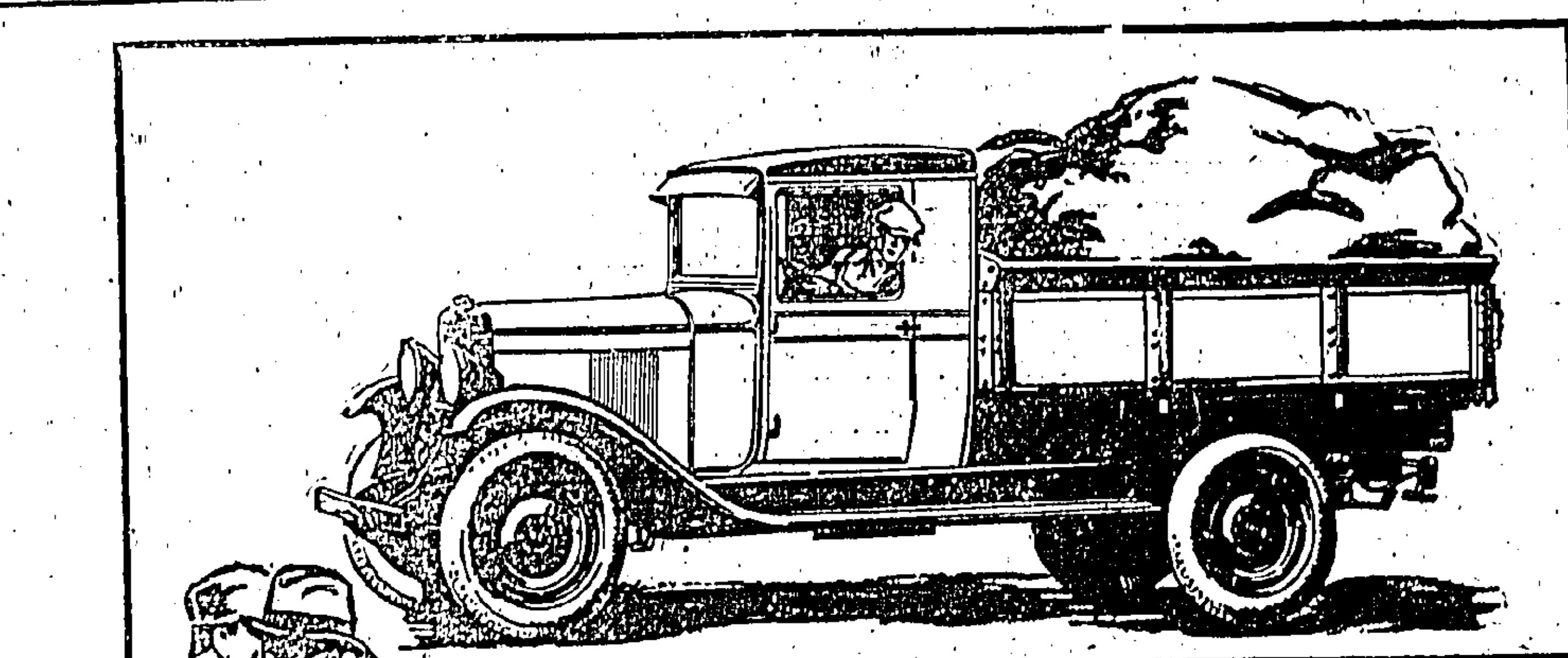
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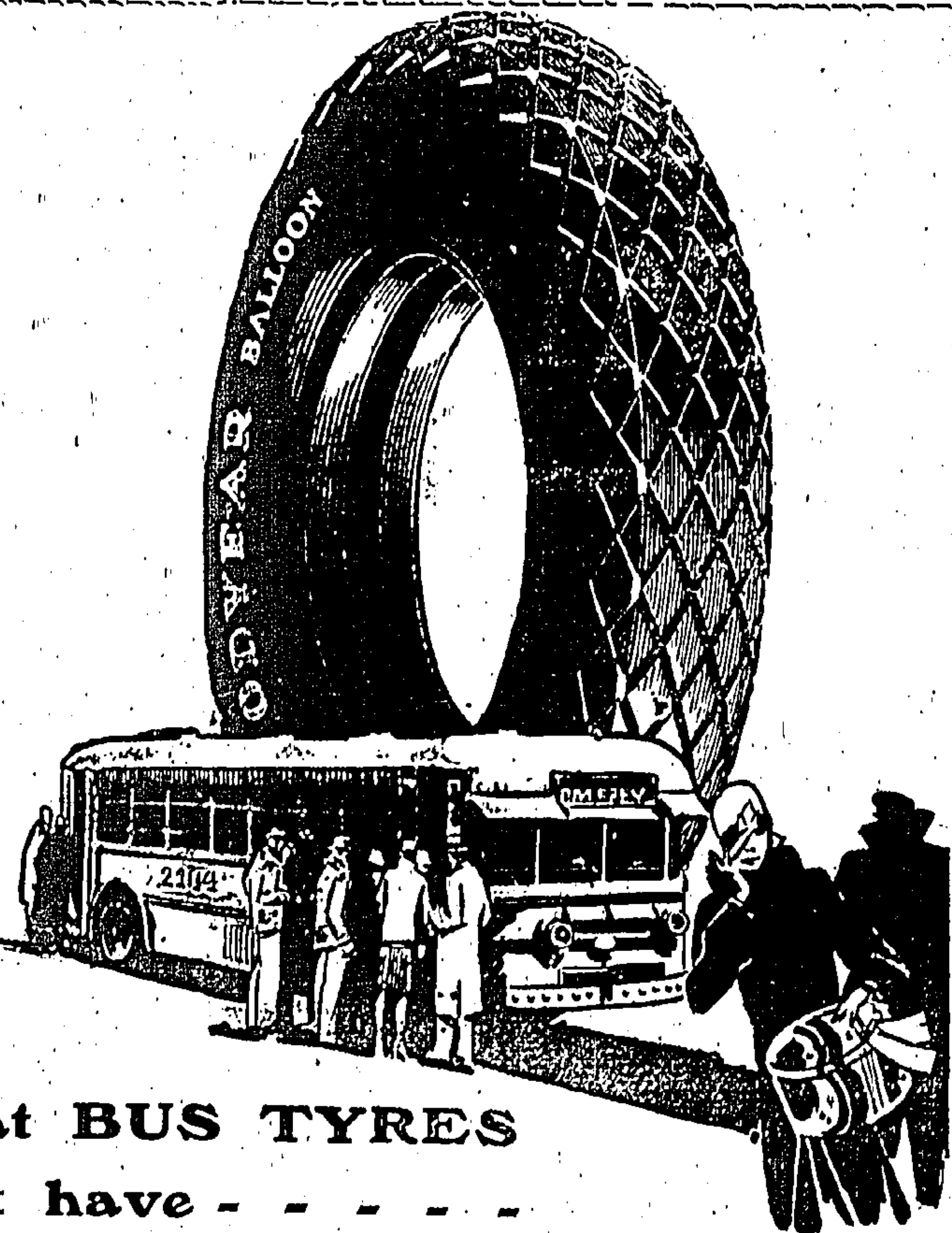
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## BUYING A SECOND-HAND CAR.

The Stethoscope Test to Detect Faults and Others.

Let there be no prejudices against the buying of a second-hand car. To be sure, it can be an adventurous business, and one highly speculative in other than a financial way, but if rightly gone about it can bring motoring and car ownership down to a level really economical. It is the cheapest introduction to motoring to the newcomer, who to-day is the man with limited means, and it affords the experienced small-car man an opportunity of acquiring a car of high class, of a quality that will endure for a generation, at a price within his reach.

There are snags in the way, and because of this the second-hand car business has not the sweetest of reputations, but none the less it is possible to acquire a real sound machine at a bargain figure and to get years of satisfactory work out of it. The two chief reasons why used cars come on to the market support this proposition. One reason is financial stringency, and down this avenue, in the main, come the quality cars, the possession of which is a real joy.

The other reason is that the original owner is following that well-worn track which leads a motorist to get rid of his car in order to buy one of higher power and with more refinements.

### Not Worn Out.

As machines the cars thus offered are far from being worn out. They will bear external signs of usage, they will be out of date in respect of small detail matters, but as vehicles they are still road-worthy and good. There are qualifications to these statements, and these will be dealt with. But first let us rid ourselves of the prejudice against used cars.

The chief qualification bearing upon the condition of a used car is the personality of its late owner. The more you can learn about him as a motorist, the more you will know about the car he wishes to dispose of, or, by process of part exchange for a new car, has already disposed of. If he was a good driver and took care of his car, then, taking into account also the date of manufacture, you may arrive at a fair estimate of its roadworthiness.

An alternative method is to learn, if possible, how many times, and for what reasons, the car has been in for repairs. Here the methods pursued by some makers are strikingly useful. These makers produce high-grade machines, and have their own depots up and down the country.

To one or other of these depots the wise owner turns whenever his car needs seeing to, and every time it enters the doors the date of its visit, the reason for it, everything that is done to it is booked down. Here in black and white is the car's history, and a useful one to know when you contemplate acquiring it.

If the manufacturing industry as a whole could so organise its arrangements, could keep such a record, then there would be a brisker business in second-hand cars. Lacking this, it is still worth while knowing, if the information can be obtained, that the car was lately the property of Mr. So-and-so, and getting to know something of his reputation as a driver.

At least it should be possible to learn from whom he bought it, and as after-sales service is now an established thing with all firms of repute, and as most men turn in cars for attention to the firm from whom they bought it, they should be willing to supply a list of all the things they have done to it.

### Appearances Often Deceptive.

On these lines there is some need for organisation among the distributors; it will help them considerably in disposing of cars they have taken in part exchange for new ones.

Information of this kind is not in itself sufficient, but it is valuable as a basis on which to start

your own investigations. First comes the appearance of the car. You know, or should know by this time, the year of manufacture; in this light appearance is some clue to the usage the car has received. Tyres do not tell much; they may be the original set, or they may be the second or third set.

More particularly, and more important, is to detect as well as you may the wear and tear of the working parts of the machinery and the power of the engine. In this latter connexion you will need a road test, and in the course of that test you will put the car at a hill you know well. When making this particular trial don't fall into the mistake that even trade representatives make.

The accepted thing is to see what hills a car can climb on top gear, and usually this means putting it at the gradient at a good rate of engine revolutions. This is not the best test. If the robustness and the responsiveness of the engine are to be learned, the way to go about it is to see how slowly it will climb the hill on top gear, if at all. If it does well on a hill, if it displays sturdiness, it will be all right on levels and on the undulating surfaces.

### A Stethoscope Examination.

There must be tests for wear of pistons, gears, and back axle. Not always can these be detected when on the road. A good way is to make for yourself an improvised stethoscope. Cut a piece of wood about eighteen inches long, and up to an inch in thickness. An old broomstick will serve very well. Start the engine, put one end of the stethoscope to each cylinder in turn, your ear at the other. Get someone to operate the accelerator pedal, and listen closely to each cylinder as the engine is raced up and dropped down. The more you hear, the worse the condition of the engine.

Test the clutch the same way by placing the stethoscope on the clutch cover. Then the gearbox, and lastly the rear axle. Open up the gearbox and examine the teeth. Then turn to the wheels. Jack up each wheel and try for play on the axle. Get some one to drive the car at quickly varying speeds along the road whilst you watch the wheels for wobble.

You will, of course, try the brakes; don't forget to note how much of the adjustment has been taken up. If the adjustment is up almost to the full, new brake linings, will soon be needed. The steering wheel should be tried for any play, and application of the grease gun at one or two points should tell you, by the colour of the old grease squeezed out, whether this essential business has been well attended to or only intermittently.

### A Turn at the Wheel.

A good turn at the wheel will tell you not only something of the car's behaviour, but how you and the machine are going to merge identities, which is an important matter.

All these things take time, but it is worth all the trouble you take. They also demand some knowledge of cars, and this knowledge is not yet general. For those who have neither time nor knowledge and who seek entry to motoring by means of a second-hand car there is another and quite a good way; it is to buy a used car from a reputable firm of dealers who make a practice of overhauling machines taken in part exchange and offering them as sound and roadworthy under a short guarantee. This is a practice which is growing, and to the novice it opens a reasonably safe way to ownership. Such firms are ready to tell all they know about the car, its previous ownership, date of manufacture, and the like, and their assurance that the overhaul has brought the car up to mechanical soundness can be accepted. You miss much of the fun of trying out things for yourself, but lacking the necessary knowledge it is better, safer and, more economical to bank on the reputation of the firm.

## THORNYCROFT SALES.

Many Repeat Orders.

OVERSEAS INCREASE.

An extension of the Southern Railway Company's motor road services is indicated by a repeat order they have recently placed with John I. Thornycroft & Co., Ltd., for a further 19 two-ton lorries.

Repeat orders for various types of Thornycroft vehicles have been placed recently by other large users, and amongst orders of interest from overseas are two 8½ ton rigid six-wheeled chassis with three-ton trailers for the Cordoba Central Railway.

The figures recently published summarising the registrations of commercial motor vehicles in Victoria, Australia have divulged the interesting fact that Thornycrofts are the only British make showing progressive increases for 1928-7 and 8.

## EASTER TRAFFIC.

Census by A.A.

### EFFECT OF HIGH TAX.

The census of road traffic always taken by the Automobile Association during the Bank Holidays shows that, during the five days of the Easter holidays, 243,810 members received assistance in various ways from the A.A. Road Patrols. 237,086 enquiries concerning road information were dealt with. The Patrols obtained running supplies, such as petrol, oil, water, covers, tubes and other small accessories for 1,818 members, while 4,905 members were assisted in connexion with roadside breakdowns.

In addition, a large number of members were assisted by the Emergency Twenty-four hour Service maintained at the London A.A. Headquarters (open day and night).

It is interesting to note that by comparison with Easter last year, these figures indicate that fewer motorists used their vehicles during the recent holiday.

The contributing causes to this decrease may either be the bad weather which prevailed up to Easter, or the continued effect of high taxation.

### BUSES PREFERRED.

The tramway system of Lincoln (Eng.) is to be scrapped. Double-decked buses are to provide transportation.

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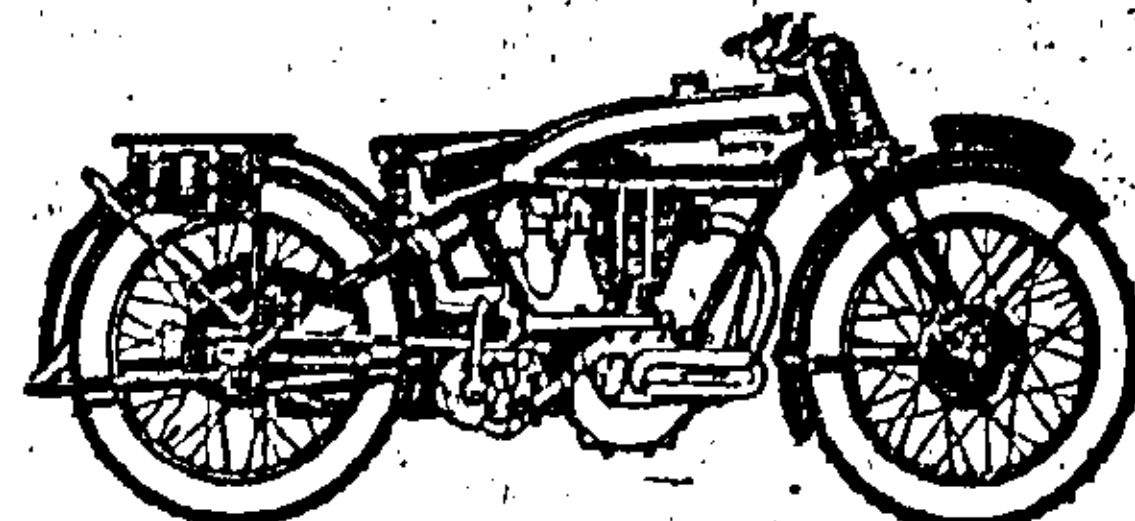
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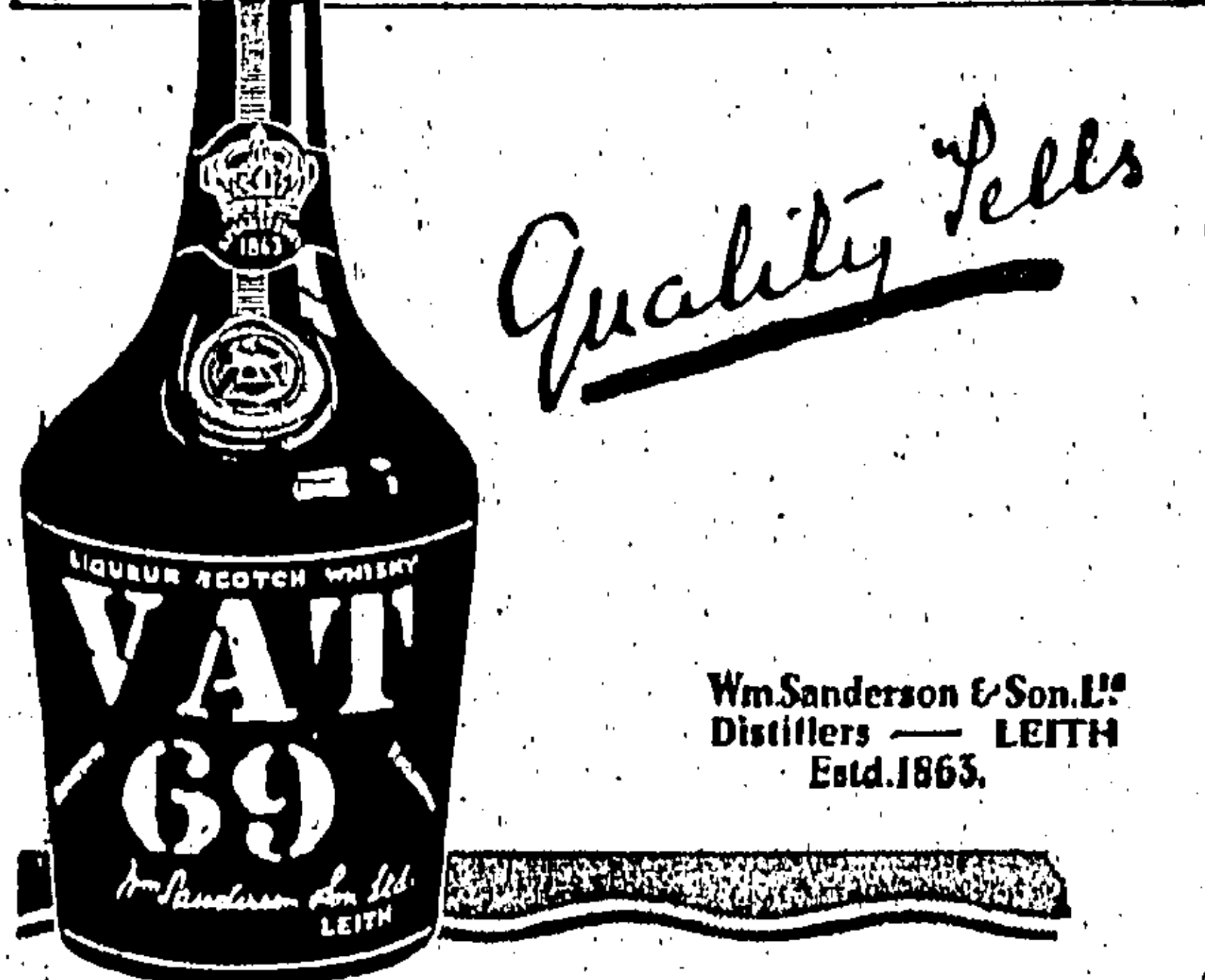
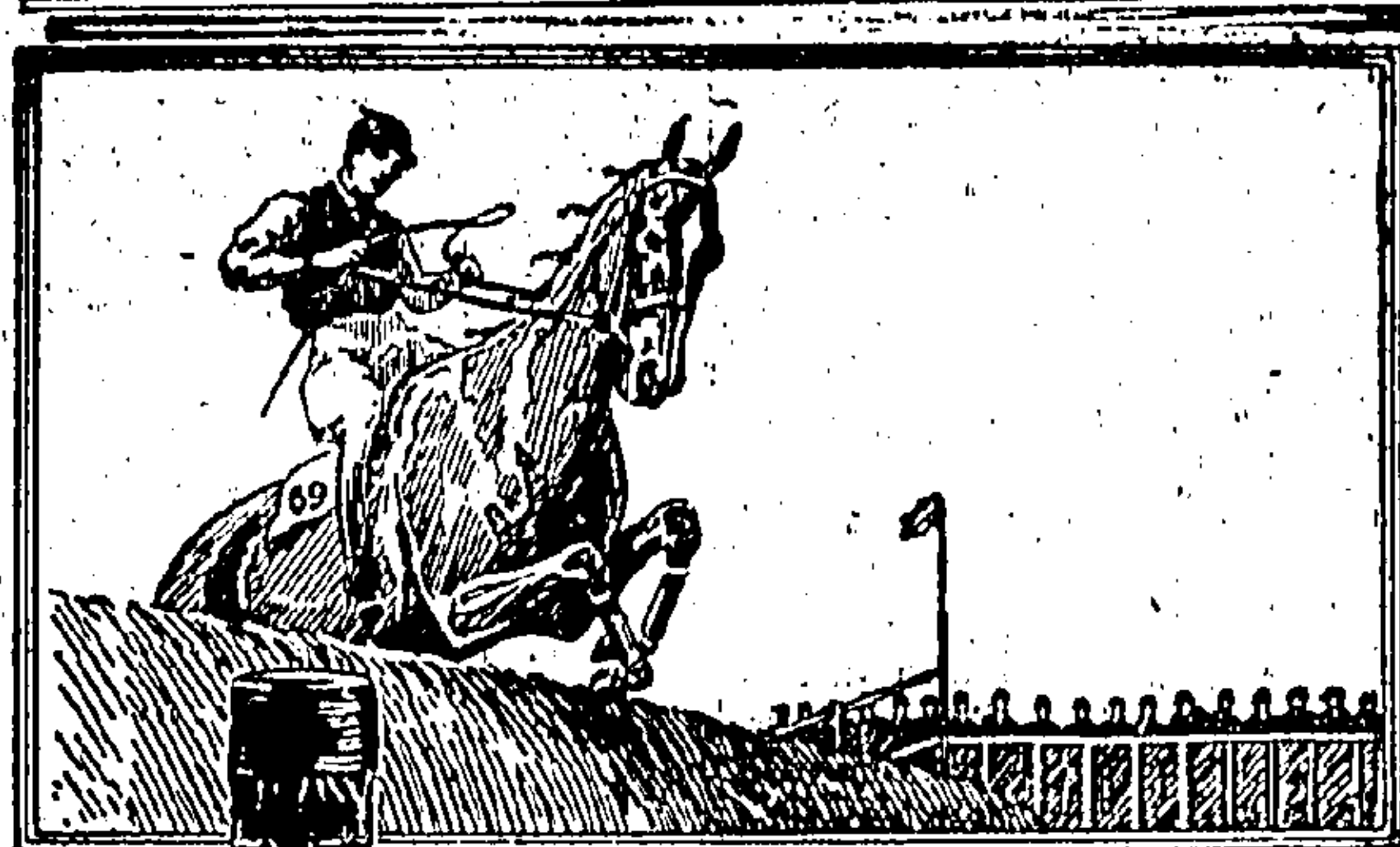
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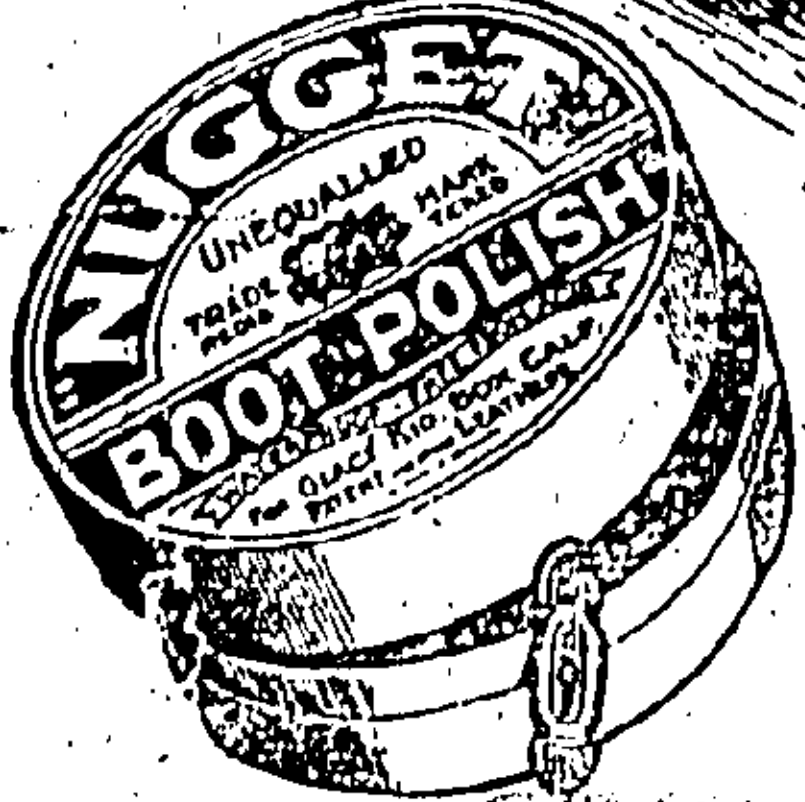
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## STRANGE AFFAIR AT CHEQUERS.

### MENACE OF MASKED VILLAINS OF THE THRILLERS.

#### IMAGINARY PHONE.

London, Apr. 24.  
Sir James Barrie was in a characteristically whimsical mood in his speech at the Newspaper Press Fund dinner in London last night. Using his wineglass as telephone receiver, Sir James carried on an imaginary conversation with Lord Byng at Scotland Yard.

"They want to know if the Premier (who was one of the guests at the dinner) has got a gun," said the author of "Peter Pan" to a convulsed audience. "The streets are seething with men in masks—they have broken out of every detective story the Premier has ever read, and are after him!"

#### S.O.S. From the "Yard."

Sir James, who responded to the toast of "Journalism," said:—

"If Shakespeare had come to London nowadays I suppose he would have become a journalist."

"You know I don't think he would have written plays; he would have turned them into novels, thrillers for which Mr. Baldwin admits a dark partiality."

"Hamlet," if written in these days, would probably be called "The Strange Affair at Elsinore." How hard on me to have to make a speech when I know that the Prime Minister would far rather I told him a detective story."

"At that moment the telephone bell rang," said Sir James, picking up his wineglass and listening.

#### "Most Astounding Case."

"Hallo, hallo. Yes, I'm here. I'm speaking, who are you?—It's Scotland Yard—the Yard asks you as a favour, ladies and gentlemen, not to wipe your glasses, as the waiters are plainclothes men taking finger prints."

"Who? No. 1? Oh!" (Looking at Mr. Baldwin.)

"Yes, he is here. He is in great danger. They want to know if he has a gun. They say it is the most astounding case the Yard has ever had."

"A complete change has come over London since we sat down to dinner. The streets are seething with men in masks and princesses with daggers in their stockings. They have broken out of every detective story No. 1 has ever read, and all of them are after him."

"He will never return to Downing Street alive unless I can bring him. He and I must leave the hotel first and alone, and as soon as we two leave, it is to be blown up.—End of Chapter I. of 'The Strange Affair at Chequers.'"

#### "London in My Eye."

"When I was interrupted—by Lord Byng—," continued Sir James. "I was about to say that some Pressmen have discovered that I am an old-timer, and asked me to speak about my own journalistic days."

"Of course, London was in my eye. I had sent a few articles to the most glorious editor I have ever known, Frederick Greenwood—if it had not been for him and later, Robertson Nicol, I suppose I would have had to go back and become a clerk."

"I indited to Greenwood a prose sonnet, saying that if he thought I could make £1 a week in London I knew I could live on it, but that whatever his advice was, I should follow it."

"He replied, promptly, 'For Heaven's sake, stay where you are, so I came up next week.'"

"Gradually I made my only noteworthy discovery—that I myself had no mind, but that I could enter for the space of a column into the minds of other people."

"My experiences as a medical man—I can still smell the dispensary I was never in; I have been a member of the House of Commons and a policeman at its doors—see my articles about how I was locked up in the Clock Tower—I have been the last blacksmith of Gretna Green, and deans and bishops, so that it is a wonder garters did not grow on my legs."

"I noticed to-night, gentlemen, that quite a number of you, when offered succulent dishes, waved them aside. How now, sirs, what has come over you?"

"Have you forgotten certain cookings by a lodging fire—and an adjacent shop?"

"That shop used, as if the scene were Verona, to open its casements to the dewy night, so that its Julietts, the chops, might more alluringly address us."

"Those tremulous days, were they as happy as they seem seen through the smoke of this banquet hall? If the smoke were to clear away too much, which of us would not be the first to shiver?"

"The street of lodgings that we used to pace waiting hungry for the postman with the roof, which are editors' love-letters—would we, even for the prize of living our lives differently, writing our works differently, would we if we could resume those paintings on flagstones that are perhaps still indented with our shoes? Yes, for that prize I know one of us who would."

"Undimmed hours! Yes, let us hope so. And yet, could memory so beguile, if in the present that shivering fit were on us?"

"It is on a good many in Fleet-street to-night. That is why we are here."

"But so comfortably here. Perhaps the gifts we give are just due to ourselves so that we may not shiver."

#### Mr. Baldwin's Tilt.

Mr. Baldwin, who proposed the toast of "Journalism," said, "Until I was nearly 50 I never knew a journalist except my cousin, Kipling—who left that great profession early, being assured by his proprietor that in no circumstances and in no profession could he ever hope to earn more than £400 a year."

"Conceive with what pleasure I come here feeling that if I am able to draw on my overdraft to help your Fund I may be helping Mr. Lloyd George in his old age."

"If I can feel I have made it possible for him in years to come to have a little broccoli for his supper, I shall feel I have not loved in vain." (Laughter.)

£10,000 Gift.

Major Astor, who presided at the dinner, announced a gift of £10,000 to the Newspaper Press Fund from Lord Rothermere.

The original manuscript of Sir James Barrie's "The Twelve Pound Look" was sold during the evening for 2,300 guineas to Mr. Gabriel Wells.

A blank canvas, presented by Mr. Philip de Laszlo, on which he offered to paint a portrait of the purchaser, was sold to the Hon. Peter Canada, for 1,100 guineas.

A letter addressed to the Admiralty by Oliver Cromwell in 1655 was purchased by Sir James Barrie for 150 guineas. A drawing by Sir William Orpen fell to Lord Derby for 200 guineas.

During the evening Mr. S. Smeed, the secretary, said the total received for the fund was £27,000.

It was also announced that the Stock Exchange Mutual Subscription Fund (the Derby "two-pence-take") had increased its donation to 1,000 guineas.

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## RIGHT TO CANE A BOY SMOKER.

### HEADMASTER'S AUTHORITY UPHELD.

The decision of the magistrates at Newport, Salop, that a headmaster had the right to cane a boy pupil for smoking in the street after school hours was upheld in a King's Bench Divisional Court.

The court discharged a rule nisi for mandamus granted to Mr. Ernest James Wright, of Newport, Salop, calling on the local Bench to show cause why they should not state a case for appeal in consequence of their dismissal of a summons for assault on his son, Frank Douglas Wright, aged fifteen, by Mr. Brooks, headmaster of the Adams Grammar School.

The boy was a day pupil at the school, and he was caned by the headmaster for smoking in the street out of school hours. The case raised the point of how far the authority of the headmaster extended.

#### Law and Girls.

Mr. J. L. Pratt, on behalf of Mr. Wright, said that it had been contended by the other side that under the Children's Act a policeman could confiscate any cigarettes or cigarette papers found on a boy discovered smoking. That apparently did not apply to a girl under sixteen, as only the cigarette which she was smoking was liable to confiscation.

The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Hewart, said that, like many other things, shows the importance of belonging to the other sex.

The Lord Chief Justice, giving judgment, said that there was a rule of the school prohibiting smoking on the school premises or in the street, and the boy knew of that rule.

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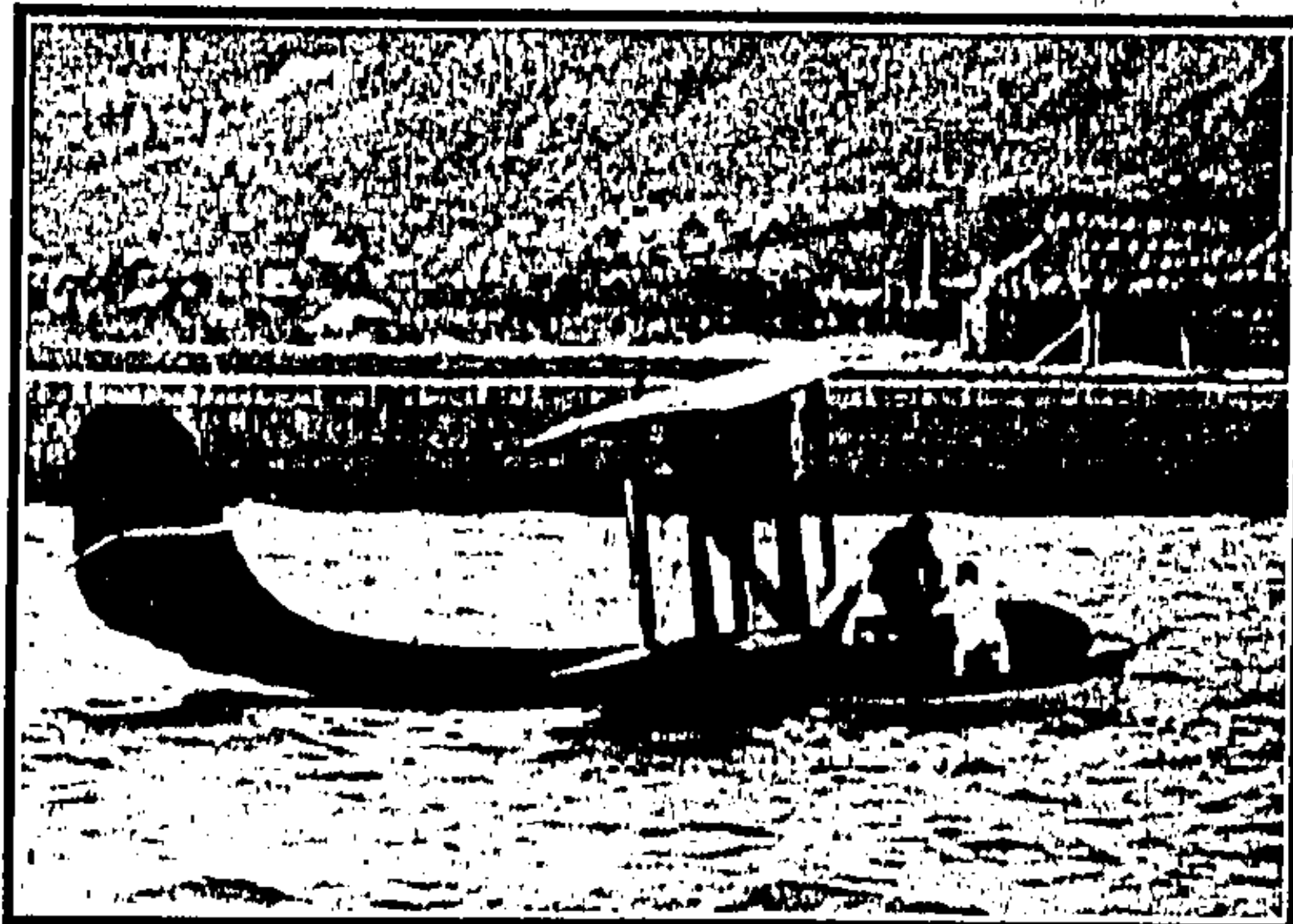
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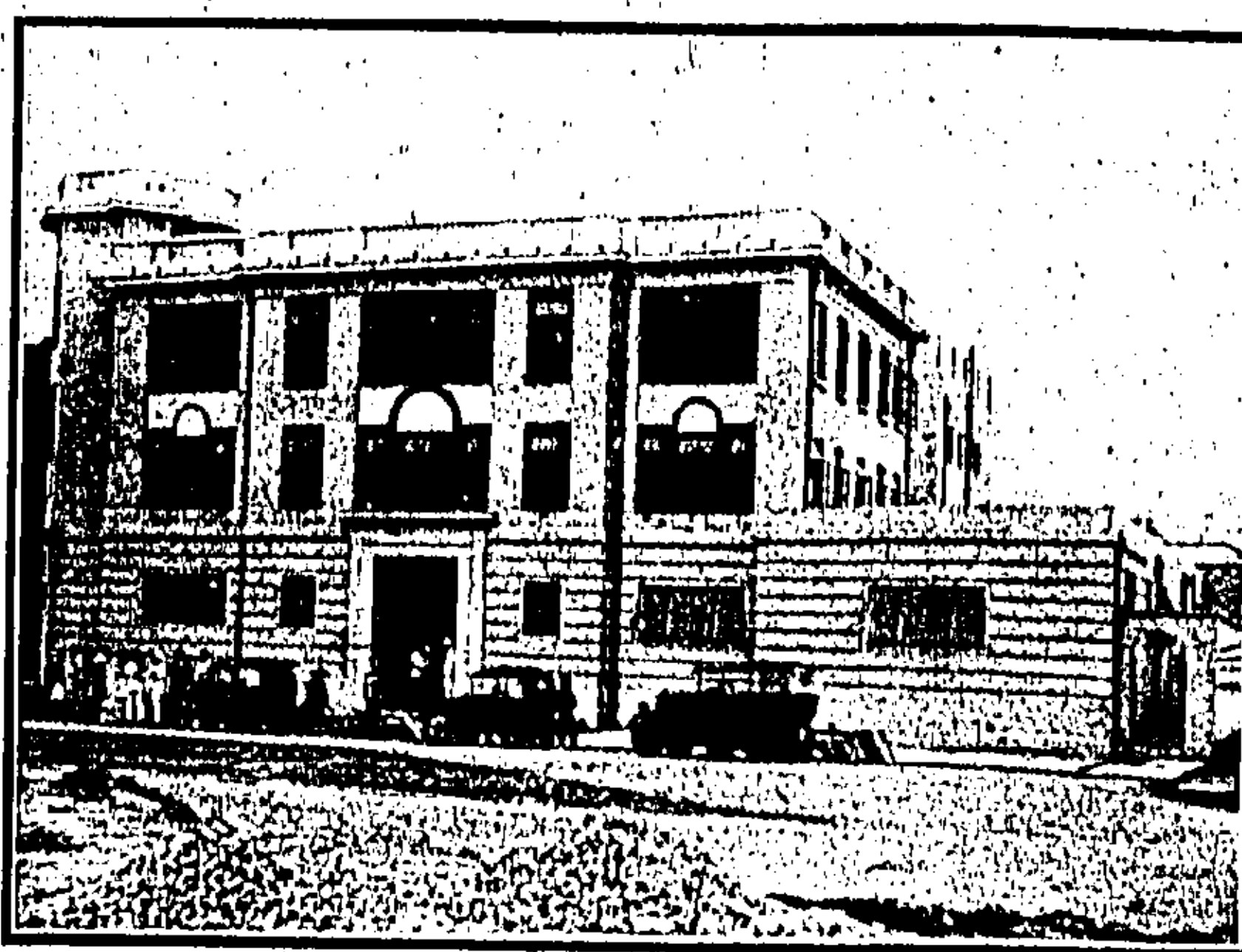
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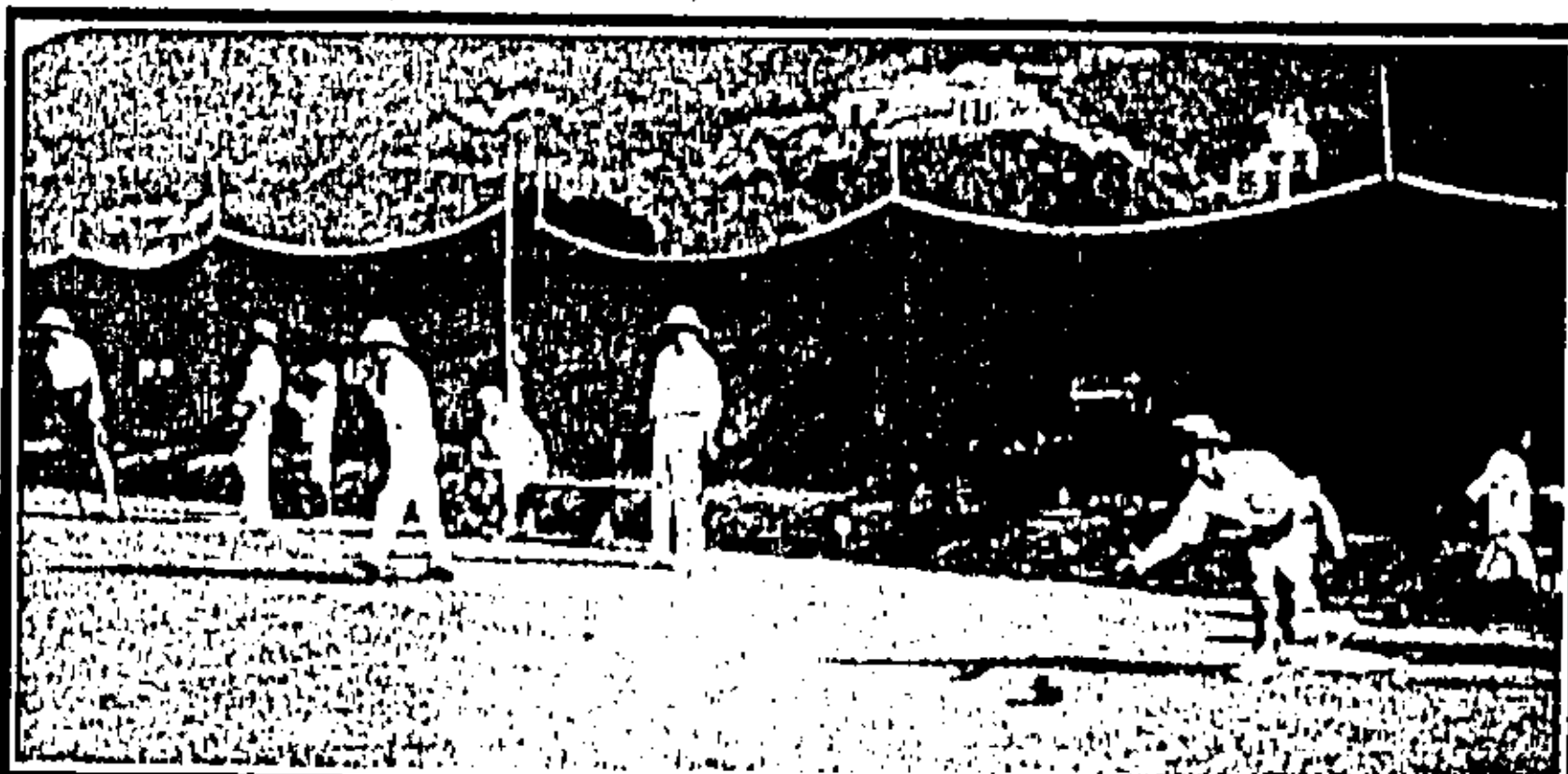
M. Robbe, who flew from Hanoi to Hongkong last Saturday, is here seen standing in machine on arrival at Kai Tack, about to step into dinghy. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



This picture shows the fine new sub-station erected at Kowloon Tong by the China Light and Power Company, Ltd. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



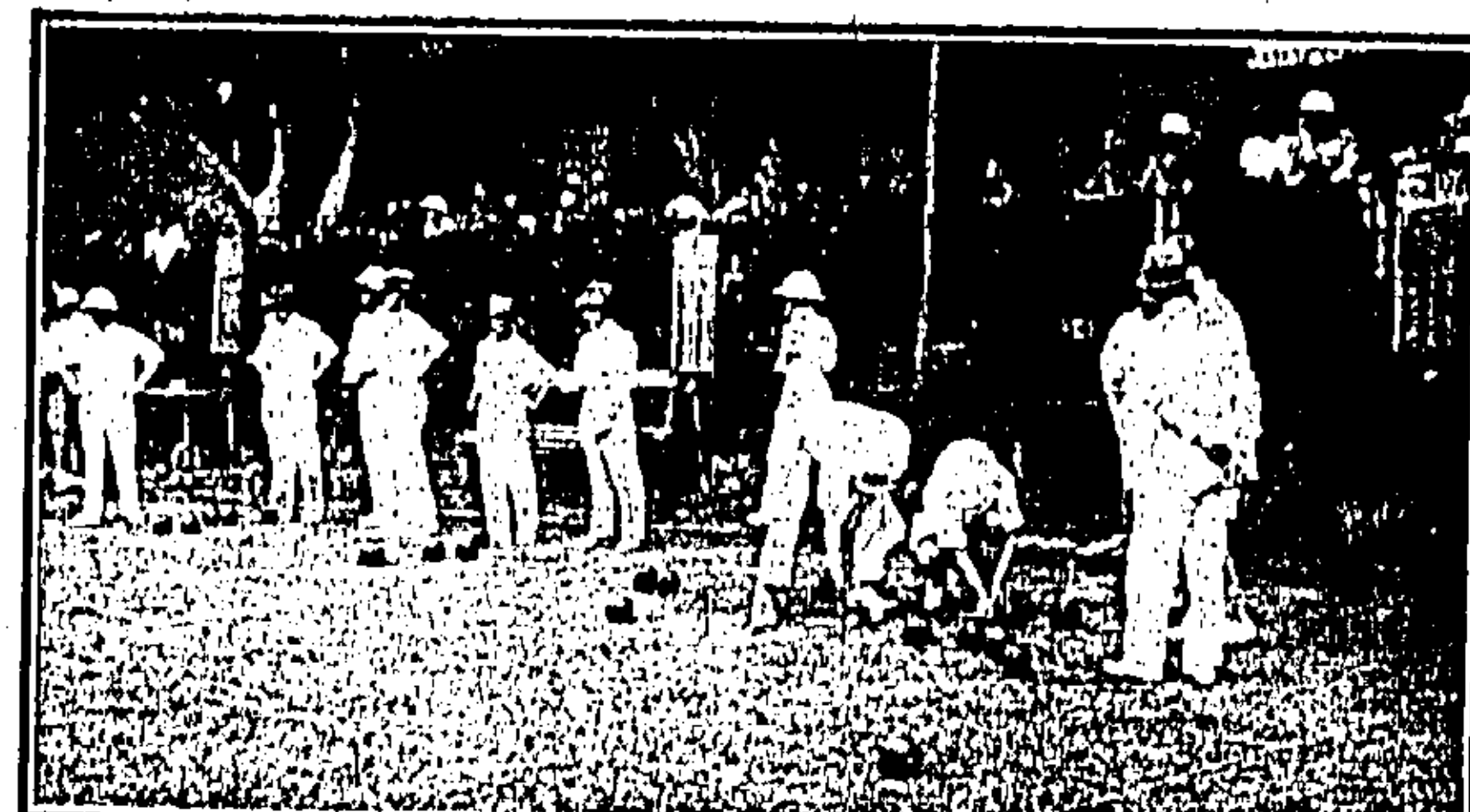
M. Robbe with his pilot, M. Dixier, being rowed from their plane to the A.P.C. launch on arrival here. They stated this was the most dangerous part of their trip! (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Snapshots of the play at the Police v. K.C.C. bowls match at Happy Valley which the latter won by two shots. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



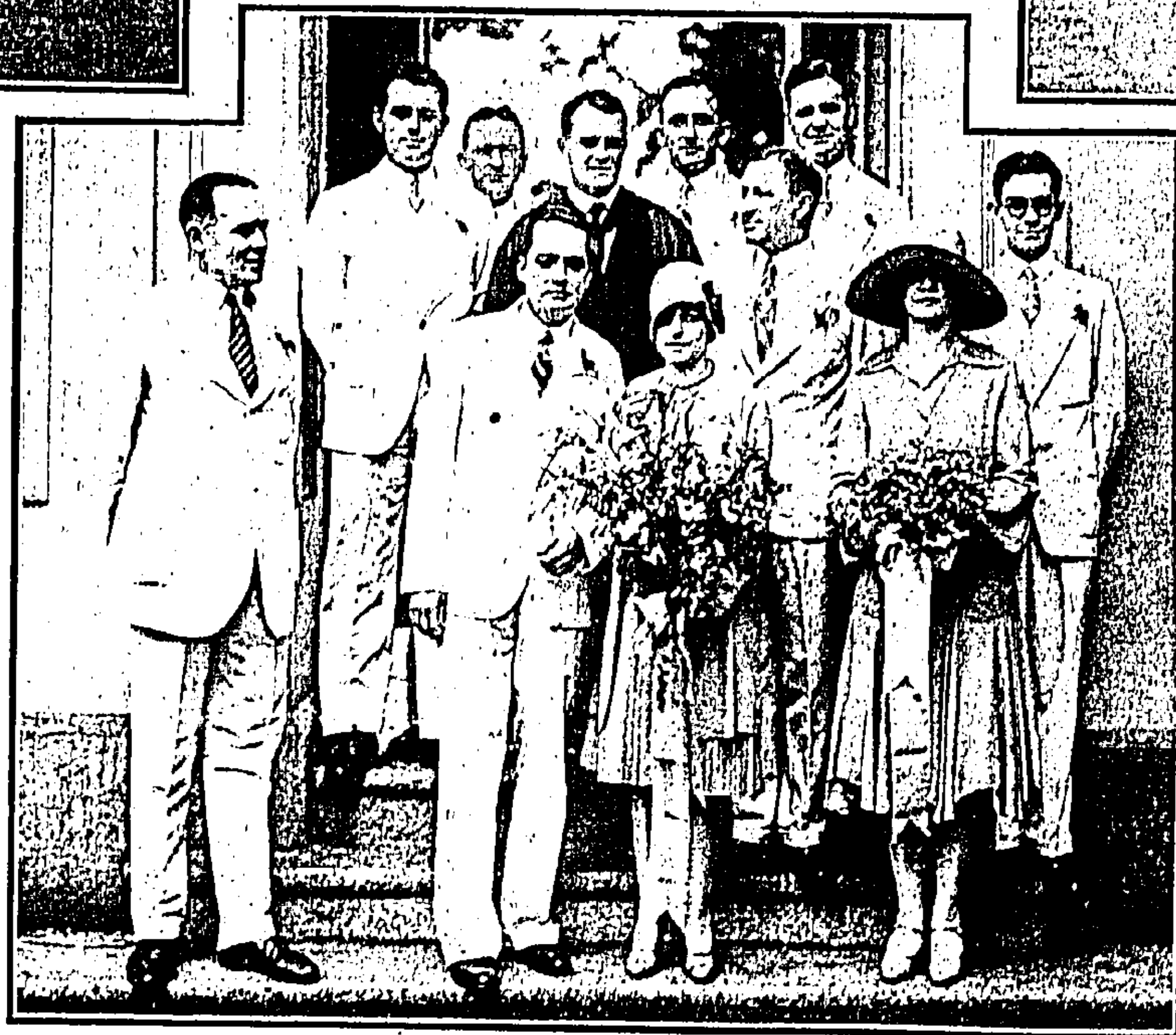
M. Robbe, the passenger in the plane which flew from Hanoi to Hongkong, is seen (left) with M. Renner, French Vice-Consul, aboard the A.P.C. launch just after arrival here. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



The Civil Service v. Hongkong Electric bowls match at Happy Valley, which the former won by 32 shots. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Mr. Priestley leading in Rummy, (Mr. Heard up), winner of the Green Island Handicap ("C" Class), at last Saturday's Meeting. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



This photograph was taken on the occasion of the wedding at Shameen of Mr. B. B. Anthony, of the Standard Oil Co., and Miss Helen Williamson. The Rev. James Henry, who officiated, is seen standing between the bride and the Matron of Honour, Mrs. C. E. Sandstrom.



Messrs. Kitchell and Li's Duke of Melrose (Mr. Harriman up) being led in after winning the Beaufort Handicap ("B" Class) last Saturday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Bridal group taken at the wedding of Mr. Daniel P. K. Au, of the Sincere Co., Shanghai, to Miss Yuen Ting-cheung, at the Church of Christ in China, Hongkong. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



This group was taken at the Kam Ling Hotel on Friday of last week on the occasion of a farewell dinner given by the clerical staff of the Naval Store Department to Mr. E. A. S. Hayward, O.B.E., chief of the Department, to mark his pending departure from the Colony. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



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## AIMING TO IMPROVE TELEVISION.



Mr. William M. Cummings of Chicago is shown in the basement of his home installing his television tube into the receiving apparatus.

With hand-made apparatus and in the laboratory he has assembled in the basement of his home, in Berwyn, Illinois, Mr. William M. Cummings has constructed a new kind of television reproducing tube which may leave a decided impression on perfected television apparatus of the future.

For 29 years he has studied and done research work with special interest in photo-electric phenomena. At one time, in 1919, Mr. Cummings says he received an invitation from Lord Northcliffe to return to England and continue his experiments.

The reproducer now in use is the neon type, the result of the labours of Dr. MacFarland Moore. The shortcomings of this tube prompted Mr. Cummings to set about his experiments.

Neon, which gives off an orange light, has not the power to cast an image successfully upon a screen. When so done the result is like shadows rather than a clear cut and positive image. What was needed, others as well as Mr. Cummings believed, was a white light tube.

## Improves Talkies, Too.

Mr. Cummings started work with two ideas in mind: to make a tube that would give a black

and white image on a ground glass and to do away with the oscillograph used in the film registering of sound waves for phonograph records and talkie-movies. He succeeded in both.

The new tube looks like a regular radio tube, but instead of a flat surface of light as in the neon, it has a point source of light suspended like a ball of fire. The gas in the neon, due to cohesion to the plates, Mr. Cummings says, stoves it up while the point source of light in his tube has no mechanical or physical losses. Mr. Cummings figures his new tube responds in one twenty-four millionth of a second!

Mr. Cummings finds that with a three-stage amplifier his tube gives superior service to the neon with an eight-stage amplifier and at a much lower cost.

This new tube, Mr. Cummings says, is more of an approach to the cathode tube in the matter of speed than anything he knows of. Another advantage over the neon tube is in the matter of enlargement of the image. In the neon the image is in the tube itself.

## Has Large Range in Size.

In the Cummings tube the light is projected upon a ground glass giving it a larger range of

size. With the present tube a four by five-inch image is possible. Mr. Cummings plans to make a larger tube capable of an image eight by 10 inches in dimensions.

Mr. Cummings says his tube will be of service in the making of film records for modern phonographs and the production of talkie movies. The rays that are necessary for the recording of sound waves on film are emitted by this tube.

With this tube, he claims, a portable outfit can be assembled

which will do away with the cumbersome oscillograph now necessary in the making of talkies. Not only that, but it will register any sound that is capable of being made and without undertones or overtones.

"I do not want to give anyone the impression that I myself am trying to perfect television. What I do is in the hope that I can supply those who seek that perfection with apparatus that will function better," he says.

## A MAN-HATER'S 100TH BIRTHDAY.

"AND THAT IS WHY I LIVED SO LONG."

"Who is the cause of all woman's troubles? Man! Who breaks a girl's heart or turns her into a drudge? Man! Who pesters a woman's life out to marry him, and then forgets all about her? Man!"

There, this is not the outburst

of a modern girl, but the serious and considered opinion of Miss Wilhelmina Robinson, of Sibsey, Boston, Lines, who has just celebrated her 100th birthday (says a special correspondent of the *Sunday Express*).

I had not been in her presence more than sixty seconds before, Miss Robinson delivered her emphatic verdict:—

"I detest men, and I put down my long and happy life to the fact that I was never foolish enough to marry one!"

Miss Wilhelmina Robinson told

me this when I went to see her to congratulate her on passing her hundredth birthday. She sat up in her cosy room, wearing a frilled cap tied under her chin in a neat bow.

## Hospital Cases.

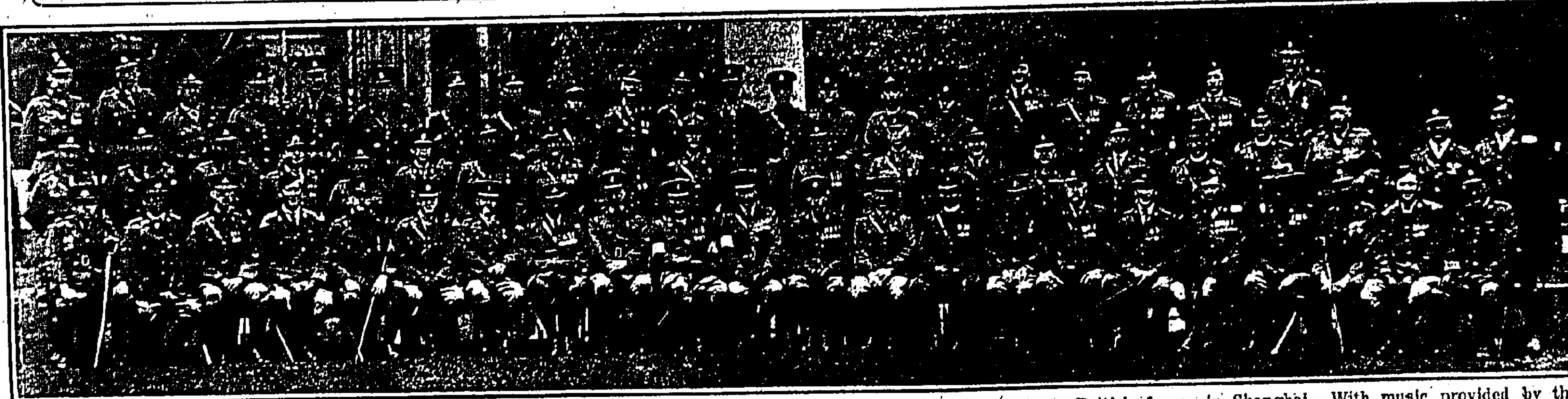
Her small face, framed in frills, was sharp and pointed, ivory pale against the blue washed wall behind her. By her side on the scarlet counterpane sat two large cats, white as milk, with great aquamarine eyes that gleamed in the firelight. They are her inseparable companions and share the common name of Tibby. Both are ladies.

"Why, went on Miss Robinson, 'single women have far better a life than any wife. Married women are always ailing with something or other. The hospitals are full of married women.

"It is all the fault of some man. But there you are; some women never know when they are well off. They are not content till they have some fool dangling after them, to be a worry to them. The girls of to-day are a scandal. It is men, men, men, all the time . . . and then they are not satisfied.

"No, I never asked any man to marry me, and no one ever asked me to marry them. They never had a chance. I always hated men, and never gave them any opportunity for familiarities like that."

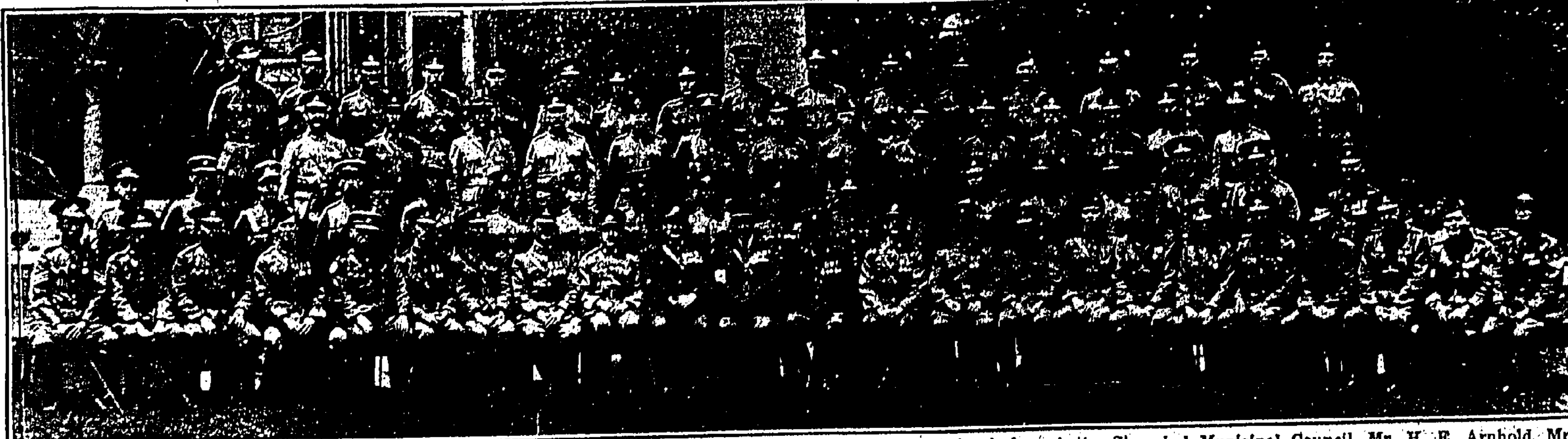
## OFFICERS, WARRANT OFFICERS AND N.C.O.'S OF SHANGHAI VOLUNTEERS.



Officers of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps gathered on the lawn of the British Consulate recently, following the annual church parade for the customary photograph. On the previous day the biggest parade and inspection in the history of the Corps took place at the Race Course, despite the threatening weather. More than 1,200 strong, under the command of 64 officers, the Volunteers marched past the official reviewing stand. The salute was taken by Brigadier O. C. Borrett, C.B., D.S.O., A.D.C., who is in command of the

British forces in Shanghai. With music provided by the Norfolk Regimental Band, the Shanghai Volunteer Corps paraded under the command of Col. H. B. H. Orpen-Palmer, C.M.G., D.S.O., Commandant.

The annual inspection of the S.V.C. was held the day before at the Race Course and proved the greatest in the history of the Corps. In addition to Brigadier O. C. Borrett, commanding the British forces in Shanghai, who took the salute, those in the official reviewing stand included the Chairman of



Warrant and non-commissioned officers who took part in the Church Parade of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps. After the parade, following the accepted procedure, they marched to the grounds of the British Consulate for a photograph.

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II  
This Modernistic Afternoon Coat  
From the Salon of Mag-Helly  
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III  
Swiss Straw Inserts  
Trim the Wide Brim  
Of a Gold-Colored  
Straw Hat by Bendel.  
This Is Worn With  
A Crepe or Chiffon Coat.



IV  
Jane Blanchot  
Fashioned This  
Charming Toque  
Of Silk Braiding  
On a Foundation  
Of Black Bangkok.



V  
Bernard et Cie Uses Two Shades of Pink  
In a Stunning Afternoon Ensemble Notable  
For the Scallop on All Edges of the Coat.  
The Harmonizing Hat of Rose-Colored Felt  
Is Fashioned on the Lines of a Poke Bonnet.

VI  
A Brown and White Tweed Outfit by Worth  
Is Given an Air of jaunty Modishness  
By a Colorful Scarf of Crepe de Chine  
And a Leather Belt in Two Tones of Brown.

THERE'S a coat for every mood this year, and for every hour of the day or night—and for every purse. There are straight coats, flared coats, long ones and short, trimmed and plain—coats for the fat and coats for the thin. Pay your money and take your choice.

But whatever you do, don't regard your coat as an isolated possession. It must be closely related to the gown with which it is worn. It must agree in purpose and design, if not in color or texture.

The modern mode stresses perfection as a whole. It allows no part of the wardrobe to play a star role. The coat, dress, hat, shoes, gloves and bag must all contribute to a general effect. That is why each must be selected in relation to the other.

For wear with the straight, sports type of dress, there are plain, straightline coats with good tailoring, made of tweed or coating fabrics. For the more feminine type of dress, there are coats of light-weight wool or silk, fur trimmed, or given an unusual collar treatment and incrustations of the material.

For formal afternoon wear in summer are charming wraps of chiffon, moiré, crepe, or taffeta, and for evening are diaphanous chiffons, rainbow taffetas and transparent velvets in all shades, cut so as to show subtle drapings and to create a flowing, graceful line.

While most coats are straight and fairly snug at the hipline, the flared coat is by no means overlooked. It is particularly smart for the youthful figure with the slender waistline. It does have a delightful swing and is essentially summery and flutery.

I. This coat, created by Worth, is beige cloth and is collared and cuffed with brown astrakhan. It is adapted to general wear and traveling, and is suitable for any day occasion with a simple frock underneath.

For the woman who cannot spend a great deal of money on her wardrobe, this is a most practical and modish garment, for it is as much at home in the smart restaurant as on the avenue or in the tonneau of a motor car.

The most striking feature of the coat is its cuffs which extend above the elbow. The gloves, with their white pearl buttons and bell-shaped cuffs, are also from Worth.

The close-fitting turban is of beige felt matching the coat and was created by Madame Suzy.

II. For the woman who can wear the unusual, this Mag-Helly coat is a worth-while possession. Made of kashadrap, the garment is unbelievably soft and ultra-modern in the angularity of its sleeves and closing. The collar, which fastens in the back, somehow suggests romance and mystery and is not for the woman who is "not the type" for this all but unique garment.

The vivid contrast achieved in this coat bars it

from becoming a style for everywoman, for unless it is worn by the type of person who can "get away" with the unusual, it appears not dashing chic, but merely bizarre.

III. Bendel offers this hat for wear with the chiffon or crepe coat. It is a large model of gold-colored straw with its brim trimmed with insets of Swiss straw. Needless to say, this chapeau is dedicated to beauty rather than utility.

The large hat comes into its own during the summer, when it lends grace and fragility to filmy afternoon gowns. The type of hat shown in the photograph bids fair to enjoy great popularity during the current season.

IV. A relief from the more severe type of close-fitting hat is this toque from Jane Blanchot. The foundation of this charming hat is black Bangkok braiding over which is cleverly draped narrow silk braiding in black and white. This model is suitable for wear either with a coat or tailleur.

V. For an odd ensemble in an already well-stocked wardrobe, nothing could be more lovely than this Bernard et Cie afternoon ensemble.

The coat is dark pink and scallops outline every edge of it, even the bell-shaped sleeves and the turnover collar. The frock underneath is of georgette in a lighter shade of pink.

Inserts of this material on the sleeves and front of the coat give the effect of stripes.

The frock has a surprise opening and a side jabot. The hat worn with this ensemble is fashioned on the lines of an old-time "poke bonnet."

This ensemble is just a bit "dressy" and is not at all adapted for sports wear. Its greatest usefulness is for afternoon, either as a street costume or as a tea outfit.

VI. Worth is the creator of this sports model coat, which is really part of an ensemble. It is made of brown and white tweed and cut on jaunty, comfortable lines. The coat has a simple tuxedo opening and is held into neat silhouette by a leather belt in two tones of brown.

The most striking feature of this coat is its scarf of brown, white and orange crepe de chine which falls casually over the garment's seal collar.

The one notably feminine touch to this outfit is the bunch of tweed and leather flowers that adorn the lapel. But even this unique floral decoration is a bit sporty and tailored because of the material of which it is fashioned.

All the coats shown on this page are recent creations of celebrated Parisian couturiers and are authentic expressions of the current mode.

Coats, as has been said, may be simply tailored and fit snugly over the hips, or they may flair. But they must harmonize with the rest of the costume.



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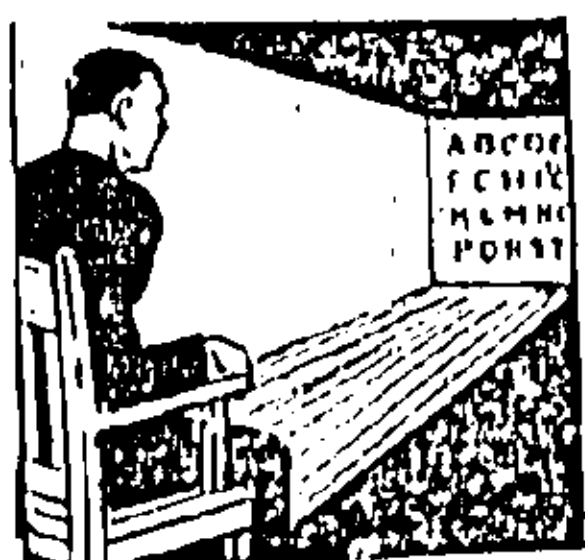
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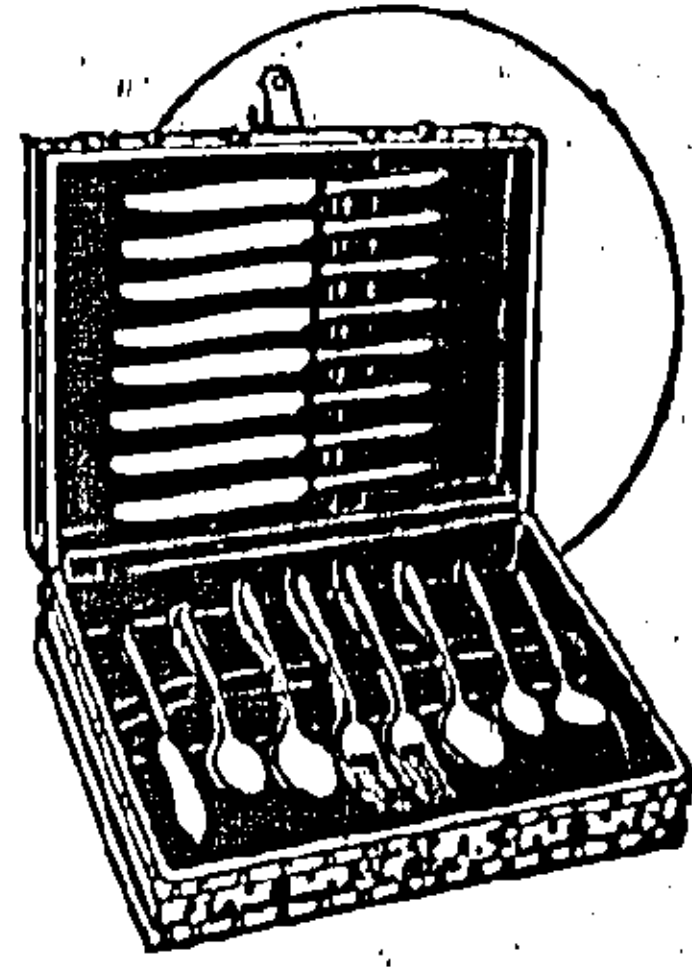
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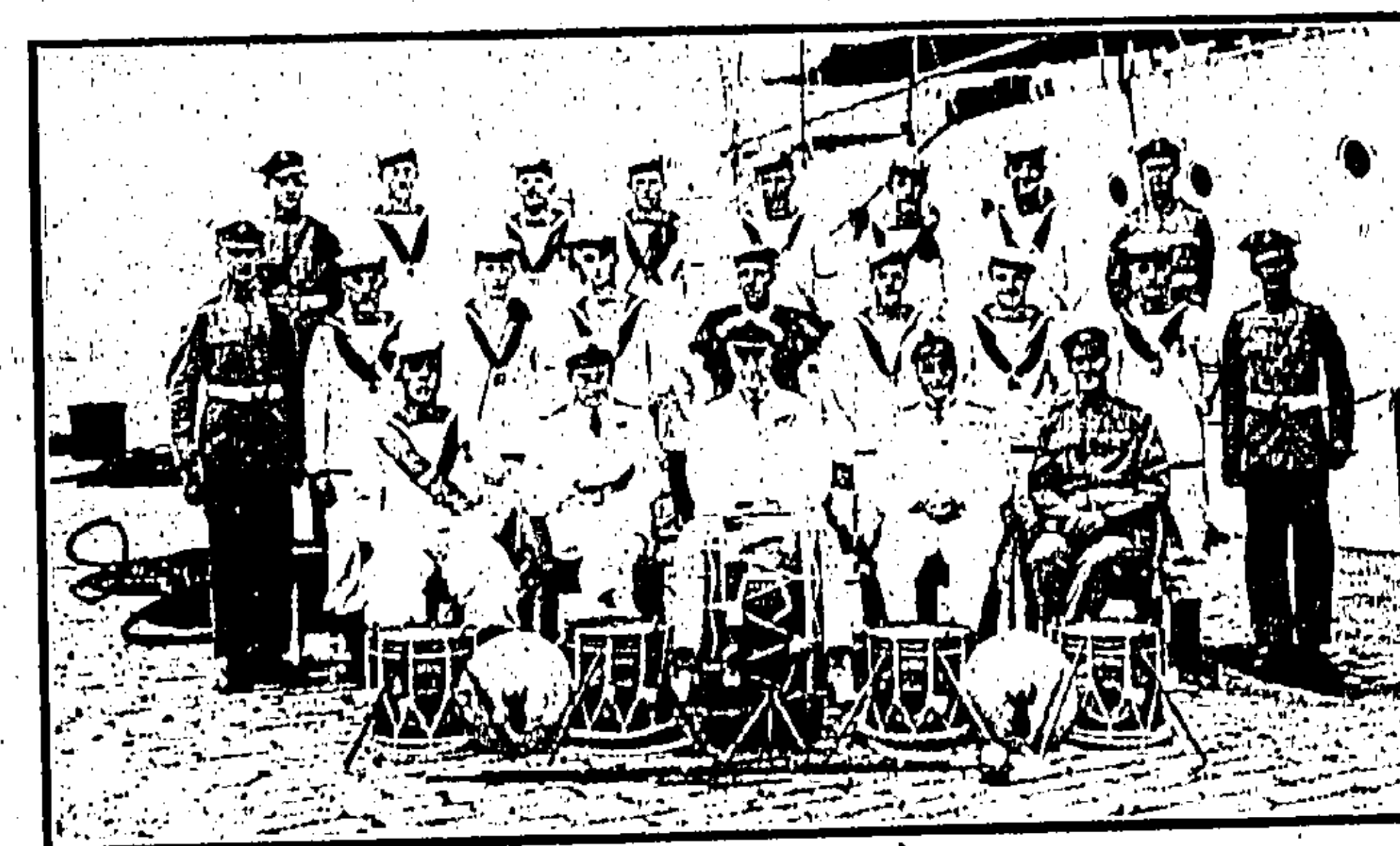
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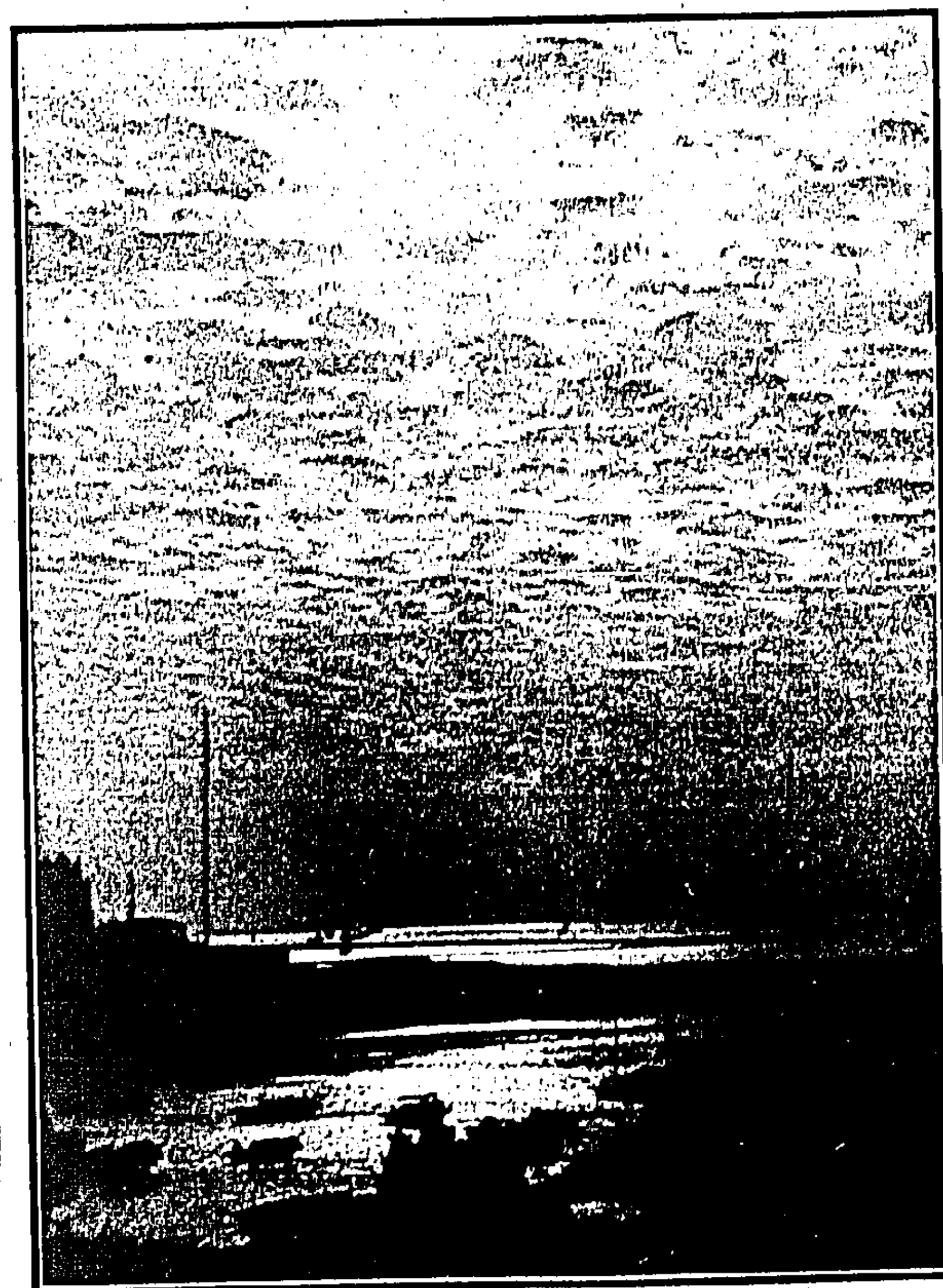
H.M.S. Bruce and the R.A. met recently in the United Services junior final. The naval team (shown above) defeated the Gunners (below) by three goals to nil. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



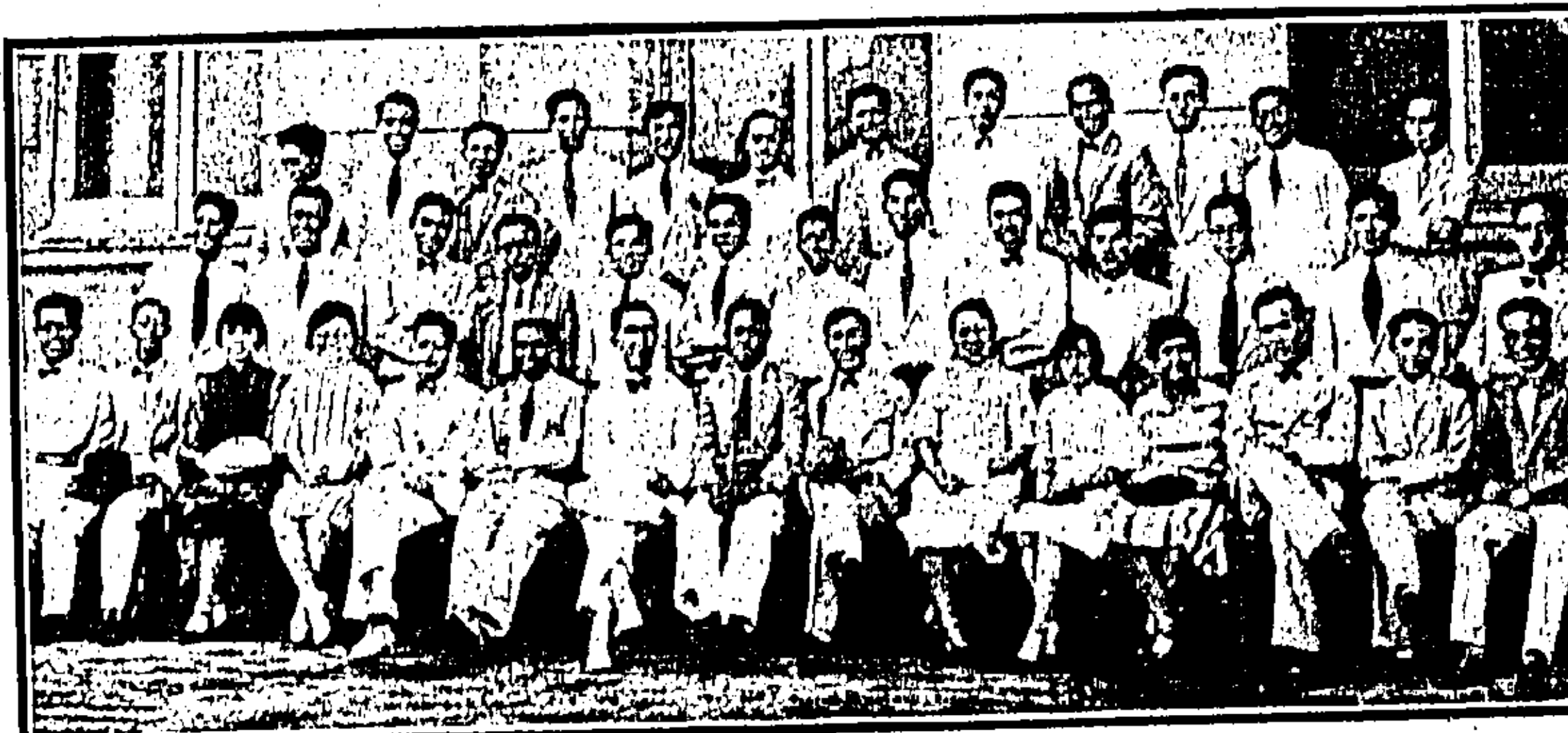
A doubles match in progress in the League game between Craigengower and the H.K.C.C. at Happy Valley on Saturday. The latter won by six sets to three. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



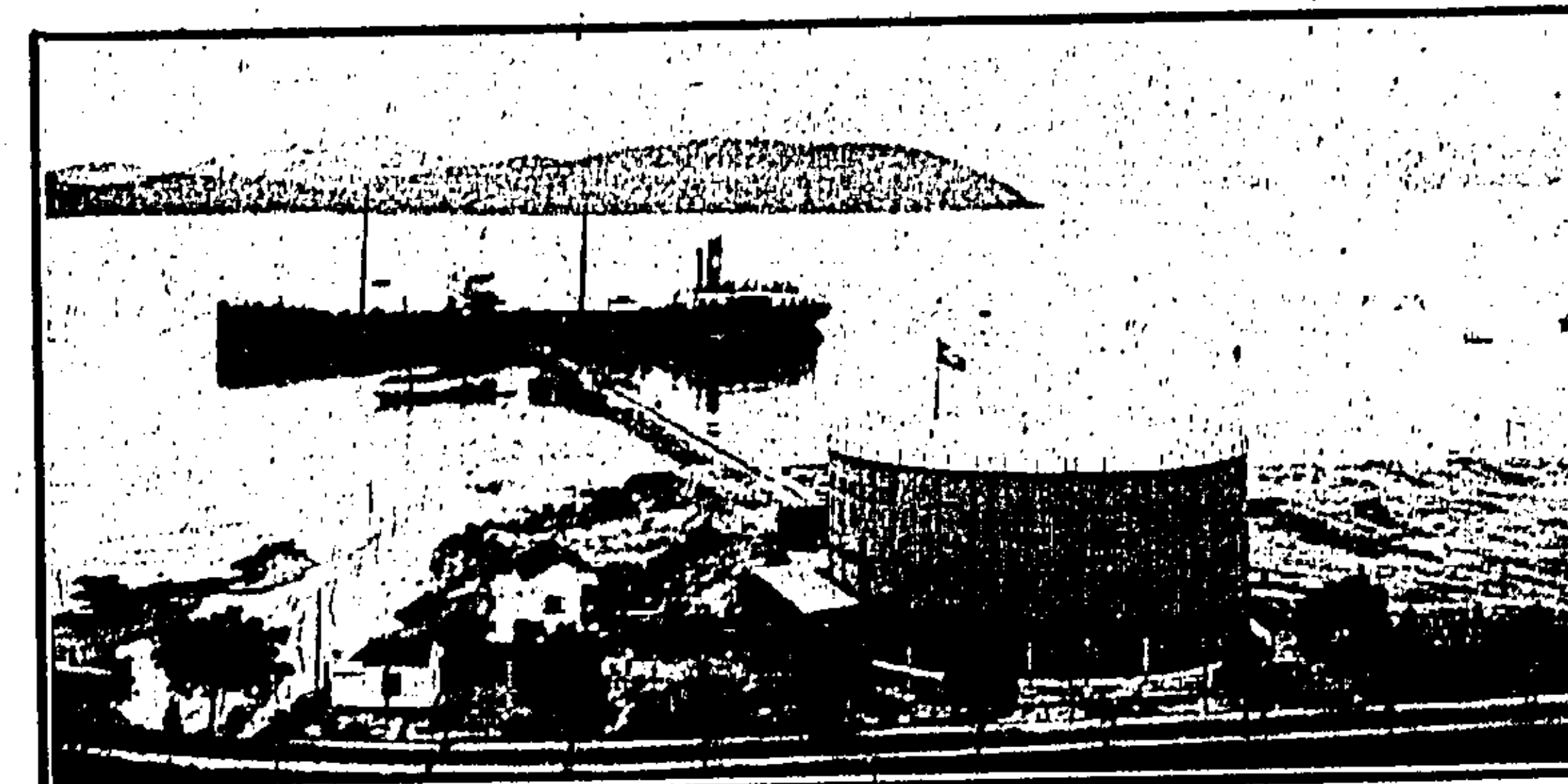
The Drum and Fife Band of H.M.S. Cornwall, one of the 10,000-ton County cruisers now on the China Station. (Photo: A. Hing).



A charming photographic study taken from the Praia Grande Bay, Macao, showing a remarkable sunrise effect. (Photo: J. Catela).



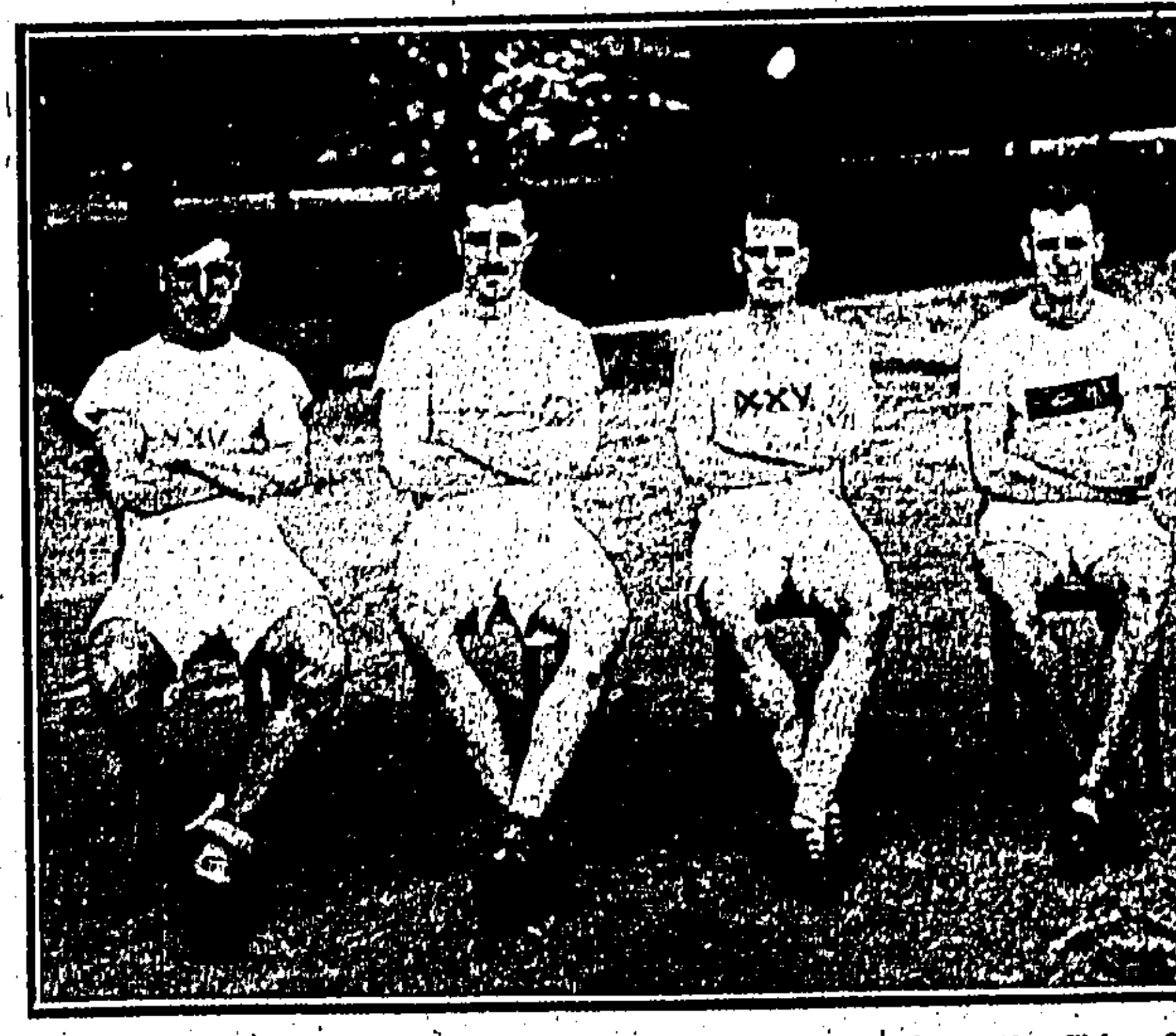
This group was taken on the occasion of a farewell party given to Professor C. Y. Wang, of the Hongkong University, by members of the University Union. (Photo: Hongkong University Photographic Society).



The first tanker to arrive at the installation of the Pure Cane Molasses Company (Hongkong), Ltd., in the New Territories. This is the only installation of its kind in the Colony. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Photograph shows the South China Athletic Association's basketball team, which has won the Hongkong Basket-Ball Championship for the 1929 season.



The K.O.S.B. Relay Team which did so well recently at the China Command athletic meeting. Left to right:—Pte. McGill, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Kelly and Pte. King. (Photo: Mee Cheung).